

Reckless driver guilty of assault with deadly weapon

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

JOHN HEARD testified that he wasn't the driver who led police on a high-speed chase through the streets of Pacific Grove, over Highway 68 and down Highway 1 to Carmel High last fall. He admitted his car — a Pontiac Firebird — was involved, but said a stranger had stolen it.

But Monterey County Superior Court Judge Stephen A. Sillman wasn't persuaded and found Heard guilty of three felony counts of assault with a deadly weapon, one felony count of recklessly evading a police officer and one misdemeanor count of driving on a suspended license after his trial concluded March 7. He was found not guilty of DUI and a lesser charge of resisting arrest.

The incident began the night of Nov. 12, when Heard went to Kimberly Garcia's Pacific Grove home and later agreed to take her to the store in his car, according to the prosecution's case.

Garcia testified against Heard during the trial, recounting her terrifying ride in his car — with him at the wheel.

Pacific Grove Police Officer Craig Mosher told The Pine Cone in November that he attempted to stop Heard after clocking him going down the Patterson Street hill in P.G. at 41 mph. Heard initially slowed, but then sped off, taking Mosher on a high-speed chase during which Heard hit speeds upwards of 90 mph, forced cars off the road while driving in the oncoming traffic lane and ran the stoplights at Community Hospital, at the intersection of Highways 1 and 68, and at Highway 1 and Carpenter Street.

The chase ended at Carmel High, where students and teachers were congregating in the parking lot after a football game earlier that evening.

Three adults testified that Heard nearly hit them as they were standing in the parking lot, substantiating the three charges of assault with a deadly weapon. He stopped the car in back of the school, leaving Garcia behind, and took off running down an embankment, prosecutors said.

Garcia was immediately arrested for public intoxication, and deputies arrested Heard at his mother's

Carmel Valley Village home the next morning.

The defense

But Heard, occasionally chuckling during his testimony, told the court a different story. He insisted he had given his keys to a possibly intoxicated Garcia after she begged him repeatedly to borrow his car. She left the house with an unknown black man, according to Heard.

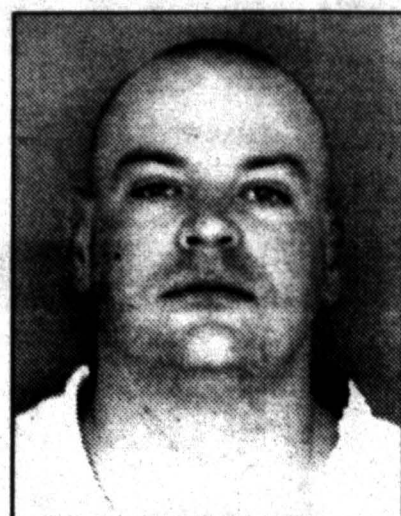
"I just sat there, heard my car leave, and went outside to smoke a cigarette," Heard told Judge Sillman.

It was then that he heard police sirens and screeching tires, and saw red lights flashing on the trees and rooftops nearby, he said.

"Then I ran back to the house, called my mom, and told her the car was stolen," he said. "I hung up on Mom — she was angry with me — and called a cab."

According to Heard, he took a cab out to Carmel Valley that night at around 11 p.m. and spent the rest of the night avoiding his angry mother. Although he did not report the car stolen — he said he knew he had \$43,500 in outstanding Monterey County warrants and was afraid he would be arrested — he said he asked someone else to make the report.

After arresting Heard, authorities photographed scratches on his arms, back and shoulder. While the prosecution believed he obtained the scratches during his run from the police the previous night, Heard told the court he had gotten them while dragging parts of a fallen tree into the river bed behind his mother's home.



Heard

Surprise witness

The defense's argument hung on the testimony of a surprise witness, Carmel Taxi driver Gregory Hagio, who testified he had given Heard a ride home from Pacific Grove to the Village that night.

Although he could not recall any of his other Nov. 12 cab fares under questioning from District Attorney David Alkire, Hagio said he remembered carrying Heard because they talked about horses. He fixed the time at 11 p.m. — during which time the car chase took place — because he said he had time to make it to the airport by 11:45 p.m. to pick up passengers from the evening's last incoming flight.

He said he did not see any police activity at Carmel High School when he drove by with Heard that night.

But Alkire doubted the time of the trip.

"The only thing that makes the taxi driver's testimony for the defense is the time he said," Alkire told the court in his closing argument, adding that no records exist that could verify the time of the trip.

Also working against Heard were seven past felony convictions in Oregon and Arkansas, including illegal drug possession, theft, escape and felon in possession of a firearm, as well as numerous misdemeanor convictions.

Defense attorney Terrance McCleerey argued the taxi driver's testimony supported Heard's innocence and that the whole episode was most likely a case of mistaken identity.

"It comes down to the issue of whether or not it was John Heard," said McCleerey, suggesting that poor lighting might have caused Officer Mosher to make a mistake when he identified Heard as the driver of the car.

"There is no record that Craig Mosher or the Pacific Grove Police Department had anything to do with John Heard," he said. "It was probably a very honest mistake — there are identification issues, he was a look-alike."

But Judge Sillman decided in favor of the prosecution, finding Heard guilty of three counts of felony assault with a deadly weapon, one count of felony reckless evasion of a police officer and a misdemeanor count of driving on a suspended license.

Heard is currently being held without bail, pending his April 6 sentencing hearing. He faces a maximum sentence of seven years and four months, and is currently wanted on outstanding warrants in Oregon, according to Alkire.

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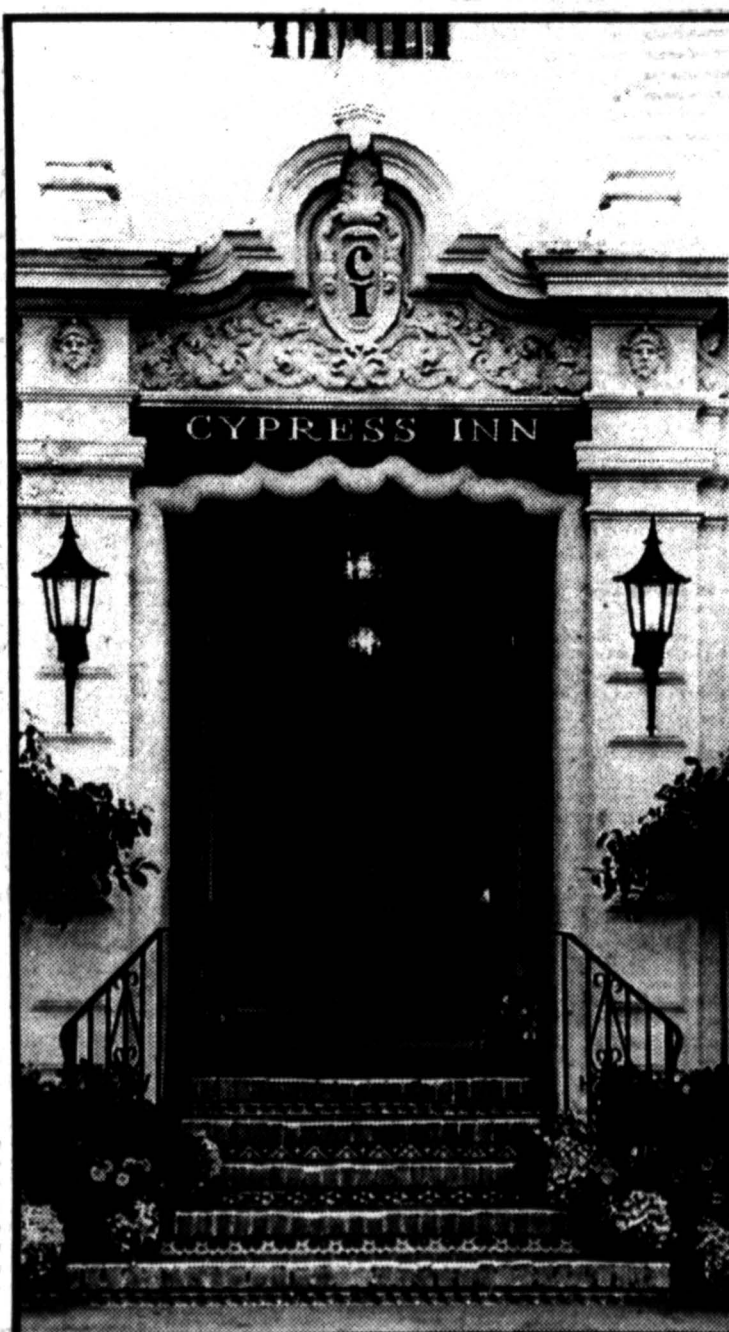
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PENINSULA WATER SHORTAGE CLAIMS ANOTHER CASUALTY

By ROSE EVERS

THE MONTEREY Peninsula's endless water shortage claimed its first political casualty this week when Pacific Grove City Council member Michelle Knight handed in her resignation — which took effect as yet another fierce storm dumped heavy rains on the central coast.

Forced to choose between serving on the council or building a new house near Asilomar beach, Knight chose a roof over her head.

"My presence on both the city's water waiting list and the council makes it impossible for the city to accept any water credit transfer, essentially the only remaining source of available water in the community," said Knight in her resignation letter.

Pacific Grove — like all other Peninsula communities — has essentially no water for new residential uses. Despite six straight years of above-average rainfall, a state order that Cal-Am water company drastically curtail its pumping from the Carmel River makes it unlikely that the water supply will be increased in the foreseeable future.

"I cannot let my position on the council stand in the way of all citizens, including us, in obtaining water. I believe my resignation will eliminate any ambiguities in this process and will protect any water credit transfers from suspicion of bias."

At its March 1 meeting, a council majority gave the go-ahead to two deals that, if finalized, would nearly clear the city's water waiting list. Under the first proposal, local architect George Ash would buy an acre-foot of water from Grove Homes and donate nearly half of it to the city in exchange for approval to use the rest for two new houses on vacant lots on Sloat Avenue.

The other proposal would allow half of the 35 families on the city's water waiting list to buy an acre-foot of water owned by the Pebble Beach Company. That idea was spearheaded by Frank Knight, Michelle Knight's husband.

City Attorney George Thacher warned the council that both deals could be jeopardized by a state law that voids city contracts where council members have financial interests. With Knight and her husband set to either get water or move up on the water waiting list, there was no way of getting around the conflict of interest.

"Effectively, my position on this list means that no citizen on this list (or even those working toward getting on the list) can proceed with any projects requiring water," said Knight.

Mayor Sandy Koffman and councilman Steve Honneger voted against both proposals, saying it wasn't right to let

people who are willing or able to pay top dollar to skip over the city's first-come, first-serve water list.

Knight told The Pine Cone that criticism is "unfair," because the city is completely out of water for residential use and buying water credits is the only way to get water into the city.

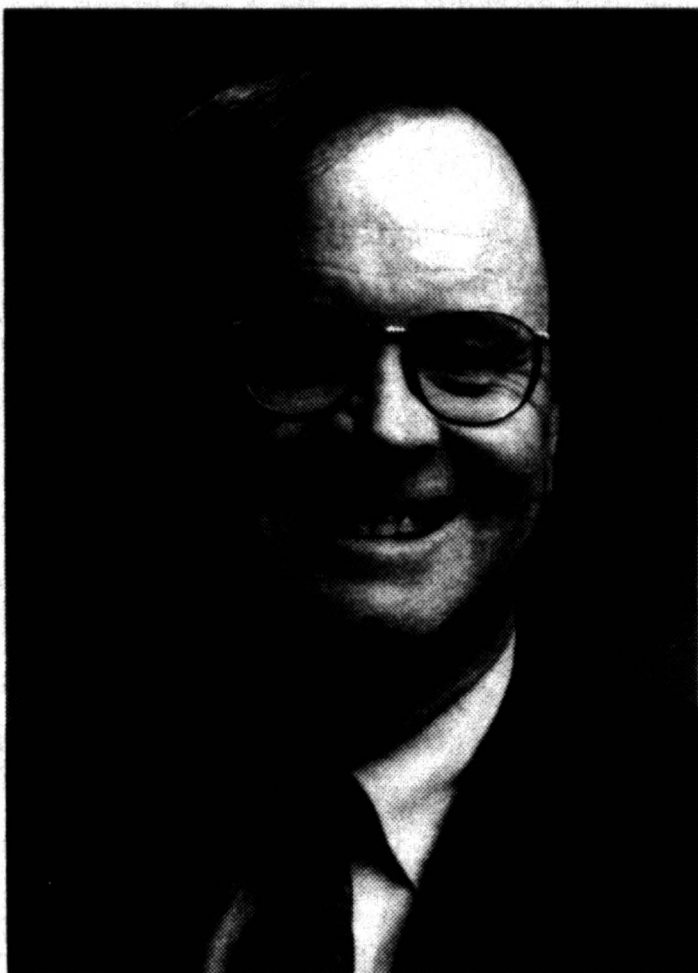
"We're not getting another allocation" from the water management district, Knight said. "This way everyone benefits and everyone moves up on the water waiting list. There's no hope if none of this goes forward."

The city's water issues committee is discussing several

ideas that could help save water citywide. These include requiring remodels or new construction projects to use cisterns to provide water for landscaping and even to flush toilets. The committee is also looking into using sea water to flush toilets at Lovers Point and the Pacific Grove Municipal Golf Course.

The problem with all of these ideas, according to water committee chair Bob Davis, is that the water management district offers no incentives for people to save water.

See KNIGHT page 9A



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I deeply appreciate the support of so many concerned citizens in Tuesday's primary election. It's an honor to be able to serve this wonderful area in Congress, and by working together I'm confident we can make it an even better place for the future. Please continue to give me the benefit of your views and ideas, and don't hesitate to call on me when I can be of assistance.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Watch out for wandering bovines

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a woman failing to pay her taxi cab fare. She was contacted and found to be under the influence of prescription medication. She was looking for her checkbook. She later found it and paid the fare.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person indicated a woman made a call to him while he was at work. She made threats of harm due to their pending divorce. Counseled on this issue. Information only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person called regarding two lamps, three T-shirts and one telephone found just outside the front door of a Junipero restaurant. It was unknown how the items, which were once inside, got outside. No forced entry. Unknown who may be responsible. Information only.

Carmel area: Woman reported money was missing

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Carmel area: Atherton Road resident telephoned about his neighbor draining water from a sump pump along their fence line. This water was traveling onto the opposite side of this fence. Initially the owners could not be located so a section of garden hose was used to divert

the water onto the street.

Big Sur: Wild Oak Ranch resident reported finding gas in the crankcase of his generator.

Carmel area: Person reported that a ward at Carmel Hills Dr. group home had run away.

Carmel Valley: Rancho Alto resident reported his wife missing for several hours. She was last seen at home at 1300 hours, and

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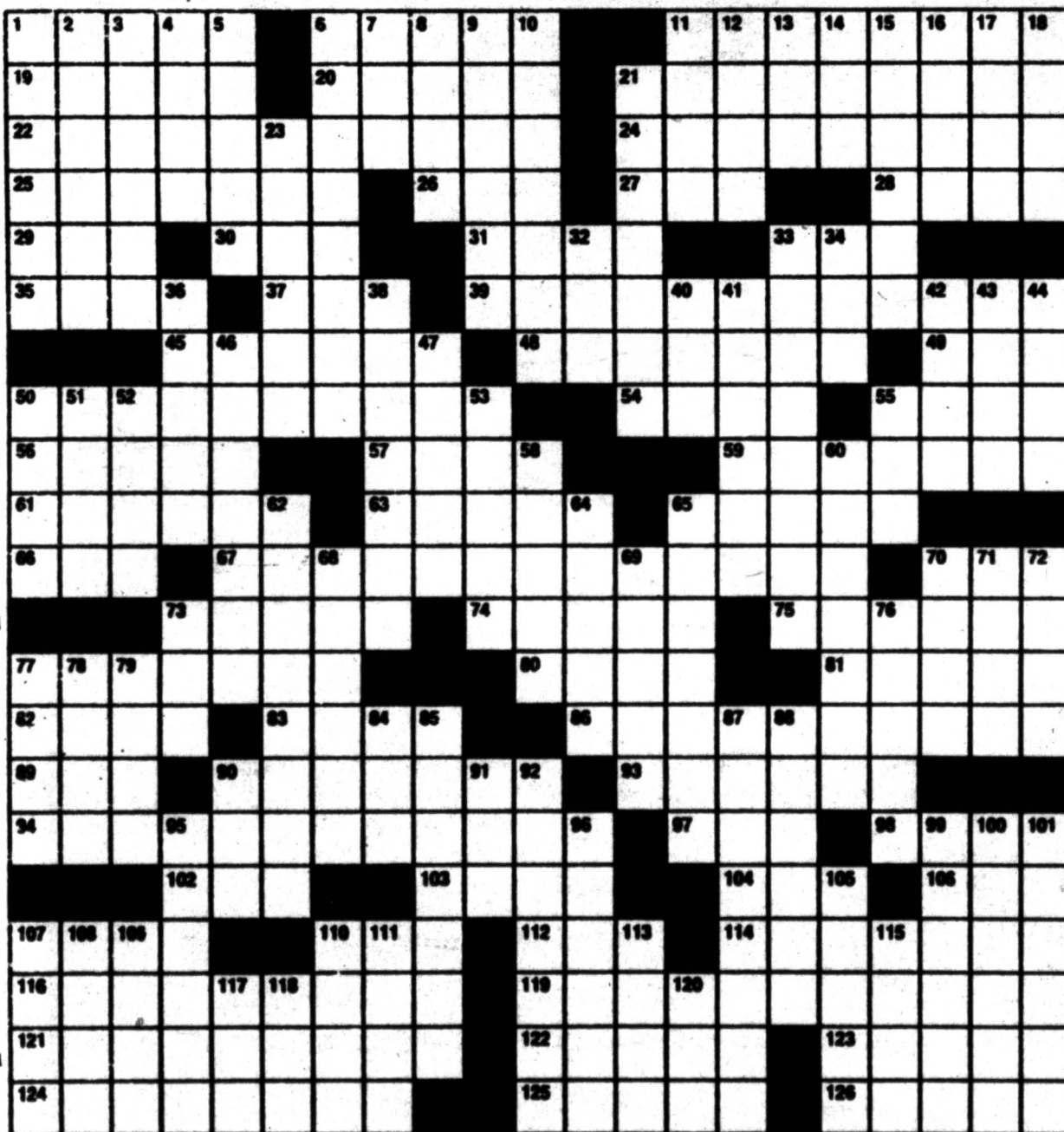
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- 6 Train
- 11 Kids' game
- 19 Jiggers?
- 20 Uncertain
- 21 Like pigs' feet
- 22 Julia Roberts/Hugh Grant film
- 24 Best-selling 1969 album
- 25 Willa Cather heroine
- 26 John, Paul and George: Abbr.
- 27 Part of U.N.L.V.
- 28 Like 47-Down's bubbles
- 29 Kay Kyser's "—Reveille"
- 30 He was Plato in "Rebel Without a Cause"
- 31 Emphatic type: Abbr.
- 33 Electrify
- 35 Sneaks one past
- 37 Radar gun wielder
- 39 Where Eliza Doolittle met Henry Higgins
- 45 Imagined
- 48 Dispositions
- 49 Have — at
- 50 Marmalade-loving bear
- 54 Rama VII's domain

- 55 Gastronomic capital of France
- 56 — artery
- 57 At another time
- 59 Split
- 61 Refreshment stands
- 63 Köln's river
- 65 — four
- 66 Organ with a drum in it
- 67 Theme of this puzzle
- 70 — Mochis, Mexico
- 73 Restaurant stack
- 74 Sinner's motivator?
- 75 "Fiddler on the Roof" setting
- 77 Eyeballed
- 80 Adventure
- 81 Sound
- 82 Felt bad about
- 83 Counterfeiters' nemeses
- 86 "Upstairs, Downstairs" setting
- 89 "Fables in Slang" author
- 90 Semi drivers?
- 93 Hardly hardworking
- 94 Coarsely abusive language
- 97 Censor's subject
- 98 Spot for a parade
- 102 Nev. neighbor
- 103 Tel — Jaffa
- 104 Not in the strike zone, maybe
- 106 Jeff Lynne's grp.

- 107 Exemplar of grace
- 110 Tire trapper
- 112 Change pocket
- 114 Capacitates
- 116 "—Blues" (1924 Paul Whiteman hit)
- 119 British press, figuratively
- 121 Like some discussions
- 122 Party, e.g.
- 123 Needing kneading?
- 124 Certain bike
- 125 Friday's creator
- 126 Full

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- 1 It's hung and beaten
- 2 Unexpected, in a way
- 3 Jot
- 4 Re
- 5 They may need guards
- 6 Come too
- 7 Shakespearean ending
- 8 Tag line
- 9 Bird, once
- 10 One-named fashion designer
- 11 Sunscreen ingredient
- 12 Finance workers, for short
- 13 One up, e.g.
- 14 In-case connector
- 15 SALT II signer
- 16 Yours, in Tours
- 17 New Jersey's — University
- 18 Countercurrent
- 21 Polo clubs
- 23 Pellagra preventer
- 32 She married Mickey
- 33 Fellow students, e.g.
- 34 Breathed
- 36 They're kept behind bars
- 38 Hoisting devices?
- 40 "Mahalo — loa" ("Thank you very much," in Maui)
- 41 Go places
- 42 Harry Belafonte song phrase
- 43 Swelled heads
- 44 What one little piggy had
- 46 Like pigs' feet
- 47 Island entertainer
- 50 Peak discoverer
- 51 Inter —
- 52 French Christian
- 53 Incessantly
- 55 Decision-making method
- 58 "The Nanny" butler
- 60 Fender benders, e.g.
- 62 Short composition
- 64 Star bursts
- 65 Chefs aim to please them
- 68 Mace source
- 69 Post-delivery handout



- 70 Mother of Helen
- 71 Of the 66-Across
- 72 —eyed
- 73 Kind of student
- 76 University of — (the Golden Hurricane)
- 77 Excite, slangily
- 78 Quattro or Cabriolet
- 79 Striptease
- 84 Track challenge
- 85 Reversed
- 87 High-cholesterol concoction
- 88 Former first family
- 90 Pulled off
- 91 John
- 92 Didn't tip
- 95 Department store section
- 96 Develop
- 99 Soften
- 100 Comic John
- 101 Made introductions, maybe
- 105 Power statistic
- 107 Place on the schedule
- 108 Film editing effect
- 109 Grace period?
- 110 Ill-bred
- 111 Reconditioned, e.g.
- 113 Kick
- 115 Spanish tar
- 117 Drillmaster's word
- 118 Murder —
- 120 Bowie collaborator

Answer to this week's puzzle on page 7A

Pebble Beach home ravaged by fire

A FIRE, sparked by a stick of incense burning in the garage of a small Rodeo Road home shortly after midnight, March 3, destroyed the house, valued at \$750,000, and two cars in the garage. California Department of Forestry Battalion Chief Rick Moore, who investigated the incident, said, "The fire was a direct result of a young man who left incense burning on combustibles, and it burned down into the combustible." Resident Seth McCullum — whose burning incense apparently started the fire — and his 92-year-old great-grandmother, Bernice Imlay, escaped the home uninjured.

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2. Provide staff direction regarding possible recruitment for the position of the Director of Forest, Parks and Beach.
3. Adopt Resolution No. 2000-39 awarding the bid for the trimming of Eucalyptus trees on Monte Verde and 4th Avenue.

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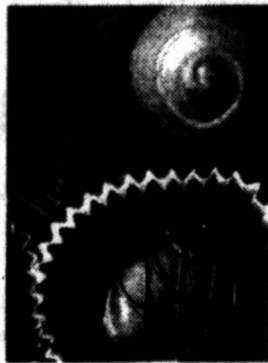
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Budget brainstorm: Convict labor, sell Scout House

By TAMARA GRIPPI

SELLING OFF Scout House, using prison labor for maintenance, and eliminating a few city commissions were just some of the cost saving ideas suggested at the Carmel town hall meeting March 2.

At the brainstorming session, residents, business people and candidates debated how to battle rising city expenses.

While this year's budget is right on track, the city needs to take a hard look at how it's going to fund next year's budget — particularly if the council wants to raise city workers' pay. The \$230,000 in raises this fiscal year were funded with "one-time" monies, according to city administrator Jere Kersnar.

At the March 2 meeting, the focus was as much on cutting expenses as on raising revenue. Locals also debated how to put a dent in the estimated \$15 million worth of deferred maintenance the city is facing, including renovations of the Scout House, the Fire House and Forest Theater.

Some wondered if there is a way to slash the deferred maintenance costs and bring in new money at the same time.

"I heard (architect) Brian Congleton's presentation on the renovation of Scout House and I'm just wondering why you're keeping it," said John Wagner. "Why not sell it?"

Former city council member David Maradei wondered if Carmel could save money by combining some of its commissions. "A lot of staff time is given over to preparing documents and agendas," Maradei said. "Has any thought been

given to consolidating boards and commissions?"

For example, the city's cultural commission could take over the recreation commission's work, Maradei suggested.

City Councilman Marshall Hydorn wants Carmel to make the most of convict labor. "Prison labor is used by many communities in Monterey County," Hydorn said.

He hopes that the inmates could make a dent in the pitch canker problem. "They even have skilled carpenters and plumbers," he said. "Every trade goes to prison eventually."

Paid parking vs. raising the TOT

Participants also debated raising the transient occupancy tax and instituting a paid parking program in Carmel — two of the city's leading revenue-raising ideas.

City officials have considered raising Carmel's TOT from 10 percent to 11 or even 12 percent. Those who attended the meeting disagreed on whether raising the TOT would hurt business at local inns.

"When you go to San Francisco and Las Vegas, how many times have you said, 'How much is your TOT?' and then said 'I'm not going to go to San Francisco?'" asked resident Jim Wright. "You never say that."

But resident and Inns by the Sea manager Gary Luce argued that Carmel's current trends don't bode well for a hotel tax increase.

"The scary trend that I see is we're not gaining on occupancy. We're gaining on the daily average rate," Luce said. "That's not a good trend."

Council candidate Dick Ely worried that the city has already missed its chance to put some of the new revenue generators on April's ballot. "To say all of these programs are inappropriate and the only thing we've got is paid parking to me is very short-sighted," Ely said.

The city council, which voted to further investigate paid parking, is still waiting to receive recommendations from the Parking 2000 committee. That committee should finish its report within the next six weeks, said assistant city administrator Greg D'Ambrosio.

"Paid parking does bring revenue from the day tripper, who otherwise wouldn't bring a lot of revenue [other than sales tax] to the city," said Larry Hoover.

Kersnar — who will prepare the city's budget in the next two months — asked for guidance on a number of issues, including:

- setting aside money to fund an election on new revenue sources;
- including money for salary increases;
- reducing the number of community activities;
- eliminating the city forester position after Gary Kelly retires this July;
- setting aside money for any of the major renovations at Scout House, the Fire House and the Forest Theater; and
- whether to continue funding the Carmel Business Associations' \$100,000 marketing grant and \$15,000 membership to the Monterey Visitor's Center.

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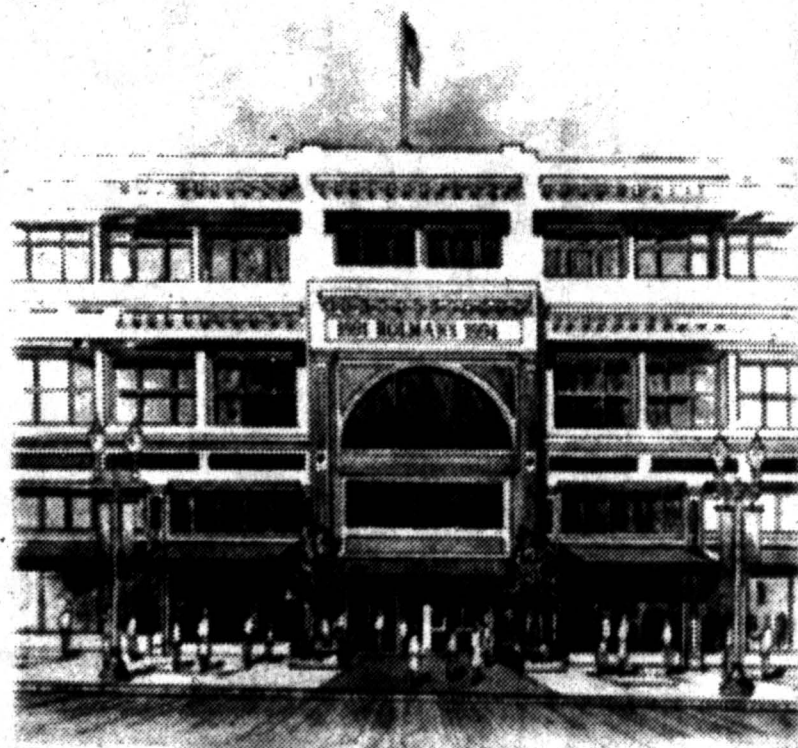
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Prisoners work hard for candy and sodas in Carmel

By TAMARA GRIPPI

CONVICTS FROM Gavilan Conservation Camp — who have been brought to Carmel to work on-and-off for the last 10 years — should be back in town this summer ready to take on heavy labor in Mission Trails Park and at the beach.

Officials are hopeful the inmate labor will help the city cut down on expenses, but city forester Gary Kelly said the convicts — who are in high demand in the state — are usually only available for two weeks a year.

The prisoners, from the camp, a lower-level security facility adjacent to Soledad's Correctional Training Facility, come to town ready to work hard, Kelly said.

"They can get an awful lot done," Kelly said. "We were talking about a project to re-establish trails. They could finish a trail in two days."

When the convicts arrive, the city should be prepared with plenty of work. It's not a good idea to have the prisoners standing around waiting, Kelly said.

Soledad prisoners have cleared trails in Mission Trails Park, cut down the invasive genista and installed stairs with pressure treated beams at the Mountain View entrance to the park at very little cost to the city.

"The only thing it costs the city is candy, soda and portable toilets," Kelly said.

The crew, consisting of 17 inmates, is supervised by a

captain from the California Department of Forestry and one city staff member. While the inmate crew's main purpose is to fight fires throughout the state, they are also available to cities.

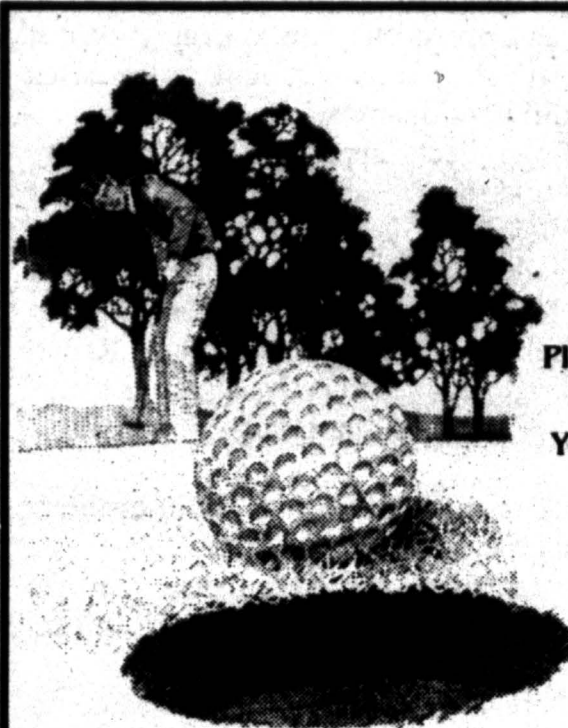
CDF officials advise cities not to use the convicts right out in public, Kelly said. "They have a tendency, while not to be overtly aggressive toward ladies, to certainly stop what they're doing and stare real hard," Kelly said.

However, the CDF program is a good deal for the prisoners, who have considerable incentives to stay in line.

"They don't want to go back to the big house," Kelly said. "Each day they're here, one day is taken off their sentence."

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Carmel last used the inmate labor in 1997 and Kelly hopes to bring a crew to Mission Trails Park this summer.



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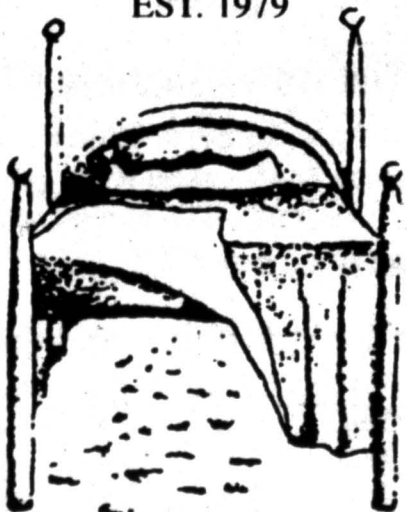
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County sued for not policing development projects

By MARY BROWNFIELD

MONTEREY RESIDENT Ed Leeper, president of the Save Our Peninsula Committee, filed suit against Monterey County, its board of supervisors, County Administrative Officer Sally Reed, Acting County Counsel Adrienne Grover and Planning Director Bill Phillips in Superior Court Feb. 17.

Represented by Carmel Valley attorney Richard Rosenthal, Leeper alleged the county "routinely failed and continues to fail to comply" with state laws requiring strict monitoring of environmental protections required when development permits are approved.

Deputy County Counsel Efrén Iglesias said he is still researching the issues raised by the suit — which was filed but not yet legally served on the county — and will be discussing the suit with the board of supervisors. But previous cases, Iglesias said, show the county followed the rules.

"We have two ways we satisfy the environmental protection requirement of state laws," said Iglesias. "We impose conditions of approval to mitigate impacts and, in appropriate cases, we request project developers enter into mitigation monitoring agreements with the county."

In the suit, Leeper cites the California Public Resources Code as requiring a specific monitoring agreement for every development project which includes environmental mitigations as a condition of approval.

"The literal reading is that in every instance, at the time of approval you have to implement a monitoring program,"

Iglesia acknowledged. "But court cases show you don't have to do that."

The cases better illuminate the intention of the law, according to Iglesias.

"When statutes are enacted, the regulatory impact is not necessarily limited to what the statute says, it's how it's interpreted. Ideally, everything is black and white, but that's not the case, especially in land-use or CEQA issues," he explained. "It's not necessarily as efficient to simply look at the statute and say, 'That's it.' You have to look at the cases that come down from different districts."

Leeper cites specific projects approved by the county planning commission and board of supervisors that he alleges have been implemented in violation of the code, including the Carmel Valley Tennis Camp, the First Baptist Church of Carmel, the Mills College property subdivision at Schulte Road and Carmel Valley Road, the September Ranch subdivision — an approval later set aside by Superior Court Judge Richard Silver — and the Carmel Valley water filtration plant.

Iglesia said his office is still looking into the allegations in terms of the specific cases cited in the lawsuit.

"They are alleging technical non-compliance, but we believe that so far what we've seen is the opposite," Iglesias said.

The suit claims "there is no practice or procedure to insure that mitigation measures imposed as conditions are fully implemented." Such actions "have the effect of depriving the public of the environmental review and protection

mandated by law," according to the complaint.

Not requiring the county to follow the Public Resources Code would lead the public to "continue to suffer irreparable injury resulting from potential and actual significant effects on the environment," the suit reads.

Iglesia said his research so far suggests the county has fulfilled its obligations.

"I don't want to give the impression we are being cavalier about our obligations to impose monitoring programs, but if the question is asked, 'Have we complied?', it seems the answer is yes based on the cases we've seen so far," he said.

Neither Leeper nor his attorney would comment on the suit they filed. "I'm not free to discuss it," Rosenthal said.

Carmelites urged to attend Design Traditions Project meeting

AS PART of Carmel's comprehensive Design Traditions Project, the Carmel Planning Commission is actively seeking Carmelites' input into changes in the residential design guidelines. The project — in the works since 1997 — will completely overhaul the city's rules for residential designs. Members of the public are urged to attend a Design Traditions Project special meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 16 in Sunset Center's Carpenter Hall. Call the planning department at 620-2010 for more information.

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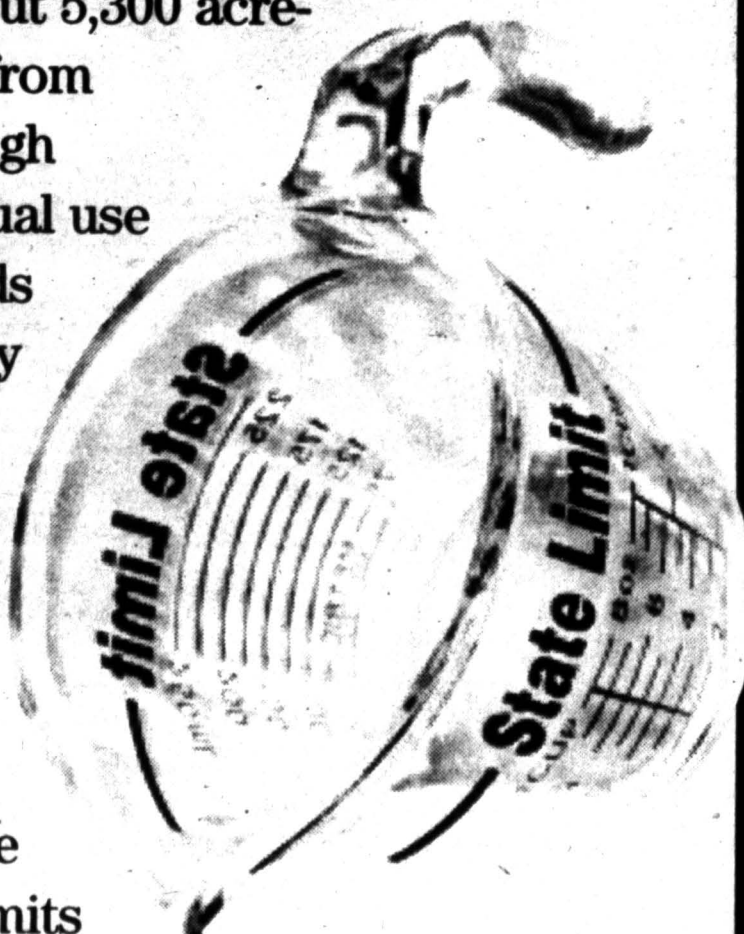


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If a family, hoping to add a shower head, installed a cistern which took care of all their landscaping needs, they still wouldn't be able to add the shower head under district policy.

"There has to be a mechanism that rewards people for saving water," Davis said.

He also doesn't believe that the district prohibition against adding bathrooms conserves water. He says the city asked the district two years ago to prove that limiting the number of toilets in a home keeps people from flushing more often, or that a family with an extra bathroom will take more showers.

"They need to do the research to have the factual basis to make decisions," Davis said.

The water district is studying whether its toilet retrofit program is saving water, according to water demand manager Stephanie Pintar. But that study won't be done for several months. While the district "encourages" cisterns, says Pintar, it doesn't give water credits for them because "they're dependent on rain-fall" and in dry years there's no benefit.

As for credits for other water-saving methods, Pintar says the district is "revisiting a number of ordinances" and encourages people to tell the water board what they think.

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IF YOU'VE a passion for wild mushrooms — yellow, frilly-gilled chanterelles, maple-syrupy smelling candy caps, honeycombed morels — you can go hunting for them in woodland areas with a certified mycologist, or you can buy them right off the green grocer's shelves.

We opted for the first in late February, during the 14th annual Masters of Food and Wine at Highlands Inn, Carmel: We went along on a Carmel Valley mushroom hunt that found us tromping about in the oak-studded hillsides of Rancho San Carlos.

Aptos mycologist Phil Carpenter was our knowledgeable guide. He belongs to the Fungus Federation of Santa Cruz (which gives monthly classes, if you're interested). Their motto is, "Keep the Fun in Fungi."

Fun it was, kicking aside wet, rotting oak leaves in search of the wild mushrooms hiding beneath — trying to keep from slipping down muddy embankments and avoiding poison oak — which looks just like innocent, dead, leafless twigs.

What a thrill to find bright yellow chanterelles, and how confusing to be told that false chanterelles have true gills, while true chanterelles have false gills. We learned that chanterelles have the pleasant odor of apricots and that they can be found under live oaks within the dripline — their perfect habitat

Witches' Butter is 'blah'

We found scores of strange-appearing fungi, many of which proved to be inedible due to toxins, and some that were inedible solely because they have no taste at all. Witches' Butter, for instance, is a bright yellow jelly fungus with a taste Carpenter described as "just blah." Then there's the deer mushroom that smells like wet cardboard — and tastes like wet cardboard. Some mushrooms, while peppery, are just plain acrid tasting.

We learned from Carpenter that mushrooms are high in nutrients, containing Vitamins A and C and have "more protein than beef," no mushroom is poisonous to the touch; and you can eat good mushrooms every year in season; poisonous mushrooms "can only be eaten once."

See **MUSHROOMS**
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Mycologist Lee Yamada holds giant mushrooms aloft so that amateurs along on the Masters of Food and Wine mushroom hunt can see clearly their identifiable features.



The easy way to bring home wild mushrooms: from your local produce stand. This display of shiitake, portobello, crimini, chanterelles, and packaged oyster and enoki mushrooms attract the eye away from the popular cultivated white mushrooms in the foreground. This photo was taken at Whole Foods, Del Monte Center, Monterey.

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By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

ST. PATRICK'S Day is just a week away, and if you haven't started corning that brisket yet, well, never mind, it's too late.

John Gong, team leader for the meat department at Whole Foods in Del Monte Center, started corning his beef briskets two weeks ago, believing he can achieve the ultimate in corned beef with two to three weeks of pickling.

Gong's secret for tender, seasoned corned beef is to start with all natural briskets (no antibiotics, no hormones, no steroids); season with pickling spices, sea salt and water — using a syringe pump — and then cure. The briskets, averaging two pounds each, sell for \$3.99 a pound.

Since Gong prepares 700 to 800 pounds of corned beef for St. Patrick's Day annually, you have to know this man understands brisket pickling.

Christina Westfall of Whole Foods passes on the recipe for a traditional St. Paddy's dinner from "The Little Book of Irish Family Cooking" —

Boiled Corned Beef with Carrots and Dumplings (serves 4)

2 lbs. tail-end (brisket) of corned beef
4 tablespoons brown sugar
Small onion, sliced
Sprig of mint
1 lb. carrots, in large chunks
8 simmered dumplings

Cover the beef with water and bring it slowly to the boil. Simmer for 1 hour. Skim the liquid.

Put the brown sugar, onion, mint and carrots into the water and simmer very gently for another hour.

For the last 20 minutes of cooking, place the dumplings on top of the meat and vegetables. Cover and simmer very gently. The dumplings will swell, but should be light.

Serve hot with separately cooked cabbage and potatoes in their skins.

Save the stock for lentil or potato soup.

Simmered Dumplings

2 cups self-rising flour

1/4 cup grated suet

1-1/4 tablespoons thyme and parsley, chopped

cold water

Since the beef is salted, no need to add more to the dumplings.

Mix the flour, suet and herbs together. Bind with a little water and shape into six small balls with floured fingers.

Place on top of the stew. Cover and cook for 20 to 25 min-

utes. The dumplings will rise, be light and take on the taste of the meat and vegetables.

You can take an easier route, if you wish: Mario, team leader in Whole Foods prepared foods section, offers a corned beef and cabbage dinner for you to take home, ready for the table, at \$10.99 per pound, as well as many other appropriate items on his St. Patrick's day menu.

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Expensive piece of art disappears from Carmel gallery

This oil painting by impressionist Alfred Mitchell was stolen off the wall of the Masterpiece Gallery in Carmel March 2.

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GALLERY



By MARY BROWNFIELD

A VALUABLE painting vanished off the wall of a Dolores Street art gallery the afternoon of March 2, but no one saw a thing.

Priced at \$17,500, "Pennsylvania," the oil-on-board, 16-inch-by-20-inch landscape painted by early California impressionist Alfred Mitchell, was hung

in a gilded frame stamped on the back with the name "Richard Tobey."

After being displayed in the window of the gallery, the painting was moved to an alcove out of sight from the reception area where it hung for about two weeks before it was stolen, according to Masterpiece Gallery salesperson Ted Mills.

"In the gallery sometimes you don't

notice a painting until it's missing, and that's the case here," he said. "If you walk in the gallery, there's an alcove and it's a blind spot when I'm sitting at the computer."

Still a mystery

"I made a log of everyone I remember who came through the door," he said. "In these situations, I think they case the place first."

"It's not the first time this has happened, and unfortunately it won't be the last," said Carmel PD Detective Sgt. Pete Poitras. "We have no leads. It always amazes me how someone can walk out with things like that."

And Poitras cautions against ignoring indications that something may be amiss or that a crime might be about to happen.

"If something feels wrong, pick up the phone and call us," he said. "That's why they pay us the quote, big bucks, unquote."

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Public Notice

Announcement of Public Hearing/Open House

Two Median Barrier Projects on Route 1 in Monterey County

WHEN AND WHERE

Date:
Wednesday, March 15, 2000

Time:
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Place:
Oldmeyer Multi-Use Center
Laguna Grande Hall
986 Hilby Ave
Seaside, CA 93955

WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?

CALTRANS (California Department of Transportation) is proposing to construct two median barrier projects on Route 1 in Monterey County. The work includes constructing median barriers and widening inside shoulders at the following two locations: (1) between 0.19 miles south of Routes 1/68 Junction and the Agujito Road Undercrossing and, (2) Fremont Street Overcrossing and 0.80 miles north of Ord Village Overhead.

WHY THIS AD?

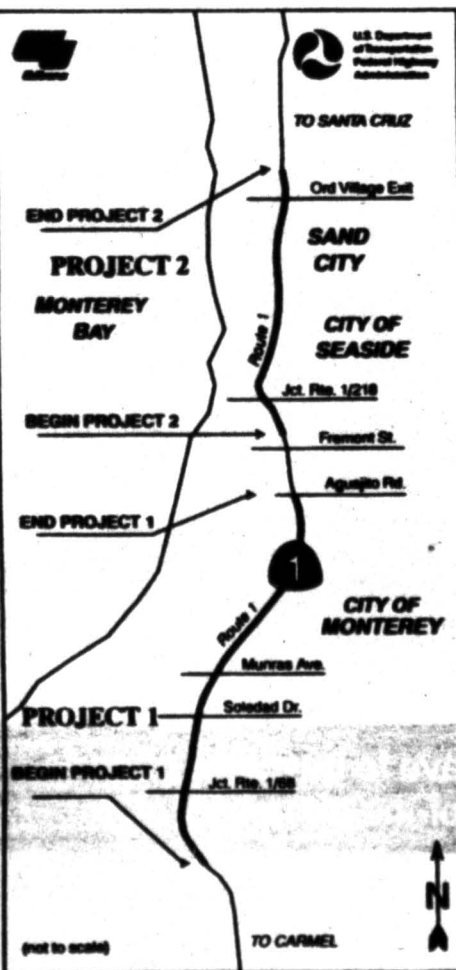
Caltrans analyzed the effects this project would have on the environment and has published the results of these evaluations in a Draft Initial Study/Environmental Assessment. Our studies show that these proposed projects would have no substantial adverse environmental impacts which cannot be appropriately mitigated. Based on these conclusions and after public input, Caltrans will seek a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) under federal environmental law and a Negative Declaration under California environmental law. This notice informs the public of the availability to review and comment on the Draft Initial Study/Environmental Assessment and the announcement of a Public Hearing/Open House to review and comment on the project.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study/Environmental Assessments (IS/EA) and supporting technical studies are available for public review at the following locations: City of Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific, in Monterey and the Reference Library, 550 Harcourt Avenue, in Seaside. The above IS/EA's are also available at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/planning/cmv/475600/start.htm> for the (1) Monterey project, and <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/planning/cmv/475700/start.htm> for the (2) Seaside project.

WHERE YOU COME IN

The Public Hearing/Open House will be held to give you an opportunity to learn more about the project. The meeting will be an open house format: Please come any time between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. No formal presentation will be made. Caltrans staff specialists in engineering, environmental studies, and landscape architecture will be available to discuss your individual concerns and answer your questions. Maps, photos and other project information will be available for review. A court reporter will be present to record comments, or written comments can be submitted until March 31, 2000, to Christine Cox, Caltrans, 3402 N. Blackstone Avenue, Ste. 201, Fresno, CA 93726-5308, or email Christine_Cox@dot.ca.gov, or fax (559) 243-8220.



CONTACT

For more information, please call Charles LaRue, Caltrans, 3402 N. Blackstone Ave., Ste. 201, Fresno CA 93726-5308 or by telephone at (559) 243-8183.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals who require special accommodations (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documentation in alternate formats, etc.) are requested to contact the District Public Affairs Office at (805) 549-3237 at least 14 days prior to the scheduled hearing date. Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 1-800-735-2929 or Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922.

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MORATORIUM

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issue for me. This is simply litigation management," he said, warning that the city could be forced to spend \$300,000 to defend itself against the lawsuit.

However, most of the people who attended the meeting disagreed that a moratorium on demolitions — and most remodels — was a sensible way to resolve the city's legal dilemma.

At the mercy of a lawsuit?

The first three people who appeared at the podium to oppose the ordinance were city council candidates Dick Ely, Joe Steinfeld and Gerard Rose.

"We're going to encourage litigation rather than discourage it," Ely said. "The city can sit down and craft guidelines that would withstand any court test."

"How many court moratoriums have been declared against cities?" Steinfeld asked. "Reasonable caution is wise. Unreasonable fear is unwise."

"I'm very hopeful that [Friends of Carmel Cultural Heritage's] attorneys won't see the ordinance enacted," said Rose, an attorney himself. "The first thing they're going to do is run to the judge and say 'Look here, the city of Carmel says we're right.'"

A crowd of homeowners, builders, architects and realtors also appealed to the council to reject the "urgency" ordinance.

"It seems odd that one lawsuit could bring this community to its knees and we haven't even lost it yet," said Carmel building designer John Mandurrango. "The analogy is that I might get hit by a car going home tonight, so I may as well commit suicide now."

But Lee Otter, of the California Coastal Commission staff, told the council the moratorium was a good idea to give the city's staff the time it needs to complete the work on its local coastal program, which has been in the works for 23 years.

"The coastal commission is a lousy place to make decisions on how best to protect Carmel's character," Otter said. "Yet that is all too often where the decision rests."

The council was torn on whether to adopt the moratorium.

"If we can avoid litigation, that's the best thing we can do," said Hydorn. "I think Sue's [McCloud] idea of negotiating is fine. We could attempt to do that once the moratorium is in place. But there's no sense in negotiating from a position of weakness."

City councilwoman Barbara Livingston agreed, urging her fellow council members not to let the April election influence their decision. "As compassionate, caring people, of course we can feel the pain of those not allowed to go forward with their projects," Livingston said. "But we've stalled long enough."

White said the council should consider a moratorium that would allow applicants who are already in the pipeline to complete their projects. "Those people coming through put their blood and guts on the line."

However, White argued, the city should also focus its energy on solving the larger problem.

"I'd do anything to avoid litigation," said councilwoman Paula Hazdovac. "However, I cannot follow through on that logic at the expense of property owners, residents and taxpayers."

Struggling to comply

Ever since learning that Carmel's historic preservation program is out of whack with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), city officials have been struggling to get the program in compliance.

The playing field changed after a 1997 California appeals court ruled that the City of Oakland could not tear down an abandoned Montgomery Ward department store without first preparing an environmental impact report to analyze the building's historic importance.

In September, the council hired consultant Carey and Company to survey the city's older buildings, recommend changes to the laws that protect them and prepare a city-wide environmental impact report.

However, Carey and Company didn't begin its work until several months later and isn't scheduled to finish until December 2000 at the earliest.

Brandt-Hawley, who successfully argued the Montgomery Ward case, wrote a March 7 letter to Freeman saying her clients are ready to press their case against the city.

The original suit, filed in September 1998, charged the city council with "engaging in an unlawful pattern" of allowing "demolitions of vintage homes," without requiring an EIR for each one.

The lawsuit also specifically targeted the city's permission to allow the Donati family to demolish a 1920s-era house on San Antonio.

That case went all the way to the California Court of Appeal, which refused to halt the Donati demolition. The coastal commission also decided the Donati house could disappear without damaging Carmel's historic character.

At the time, no one would admit to being a member of Friends of Carmel Cultural Heritage — not Sales, and not Joel Gambord, the Donati's next-door neighbor who had opposed the Donati's plans for a new home.

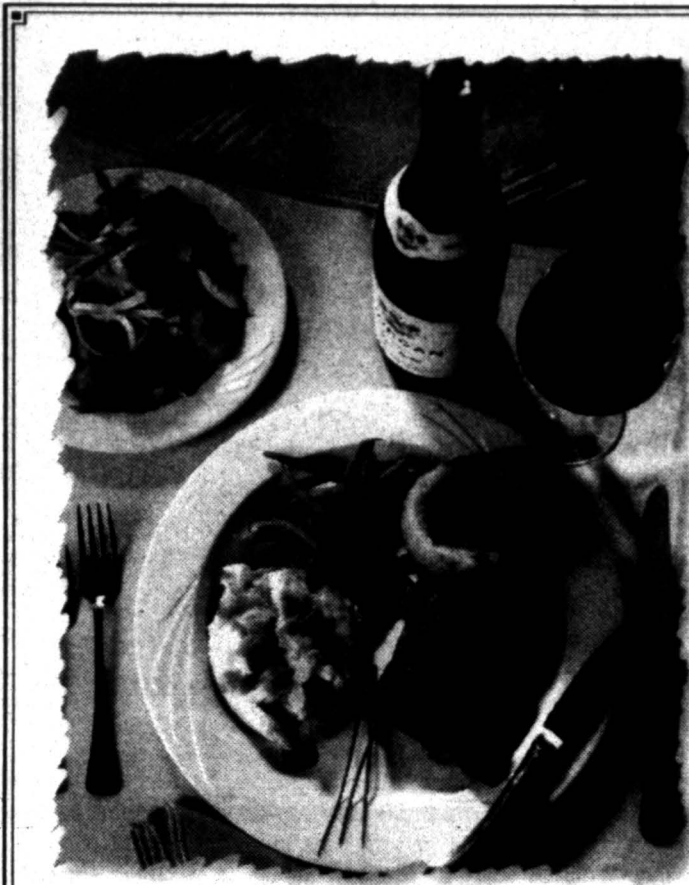
"I have no idea who is in that group," Sales said last

September.

Freeman reminded the council that while Monterey County Superior Court Judge Robert O'Farrell ruled last June that the city had acted correctly in allowing the Donati demolition, the second part of that case — concerning "cumulative impacts" — has not yet been argued.

Freeman read excerpts from Brandt-Hawley's letter urging the council to adopt a moratorium.

"Such action by the council would resolve all pending and contemplated litigation," Brandt-Hawley wrote.



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Blue Tones strum, drum and croon way to county-wide talent show win

By TAMARA GRIPPI

YOUNG CARMEL musicians shone brightly at the Young Professional Men and Women's Association talent show Feb. 19 capturing both first and second prize.

The Blue Tones, a Carmel blues band featuring musicians aged 13 to 16, beat out 17 other groups for the \$500 first prize during the competition at Martin Luther King Middle School in Seaside.

The French Boyz, a jazz duo from Carmel High School, won the \$100 second place award.

Both groups made it through three levels of competition in the last month before winning the top awards. Blue Tones members include Daniel McKay, 13, of Robert Louis

Stevenson, Aron Forbes, 15, of Carmel High, Andrew McKay, 15, of RLS, and Dan Ellis, 16 of Carmel high.

The French Boyz are students Gavin Salmon, 15, and Kirk Danielson, 15.

Members of the Carmel groups said they were impressed with the competition, which included rock groups, a capella singers and break-dancing acts.

"Everyone told us, 'You guys did really great,' but then we heard the other two jazz groups and said, 'It's really amazing what they just did,'" said Forbes.

While The Blue Tones have performed at numerous benefits and private parties since they formed in 1998, Forbes admitted that performing in front of peers can be more intimidating.

"It was a good experience, especially for auditioning — getting used to watching the judges mark things down," Forbes said.

The best part of the competition was the camaraderie among the contestants, Forbes said. After the show, The Blue Tones and French Boyz went out to El Palomar in downtown Monterey to celebrate. The restaurant's managers — more than happy to fill their place with a little blues and jazz — agreed to let the two groups set up their instruments and play the night away.

The Blue Tones will be performing March 11 at the Polo Club at The Barnyard and March 12 at Sly McFlys on Cannery Row. The group can also be heard on KGO 810 at 4 p.m. March 18 as part of the Leukemia Cure-a-thon.



The Blue Tones, Aron Forbes, Daniel McKay, Andrew McKay and Dan Ellis, beat out 17 other groups to take first prize in a music competition at Martin Luther King Middle School in Seaside.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20000316. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **HALE-WILLIAMS, LLC**, 242 Crossroads Blvd., Carmel, CA 93923. ROBERT K. HALE, 2 SE of Ocean at San Antonio, Carmel, CA 93921. THOMAS L. WILLIAMS, 2 SE of Ocean at San Antonio, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on Feb. 7, 2000. (s) T. L. Williams. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 8, 2000. Publication dates: Feb. 18, 25, Mar. 3, 10, 2000. (PC213)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20000338. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **AAA COFFEE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**, 1280 San Luis Obispo Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544. US OFFICE PRODUCTS, NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT, INC. CALIFORNIA, 1280 San Luis Obispo Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein. (s) Philip Manoff, Vice President, AAA Coffee of Northern California. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 11, 2000. Publication dates: Feb. 25, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 2000. (PC220)

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 972083. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **JERRY REKOSH**, 3004 Ransford Circle, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on October 28, 1997. JEROLD H. REKOSH, 3004 Ransford Circle, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business was conducted by an individual. (s) Jerold H. Rekosh. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 14, 2000. Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 3, 10, 17, 2000. (PC223)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20000318. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **ADVANCED MEDIA SYSTEMS**, PMB #119, 798 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey 93940. ALIDOG MEDIA, INC., 398 Genoa Highlands Circle, Genoa, NY 89441. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on Feb. 8, 2000. (s) Jeremy Cable, Pres. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 8, 2000. Publication dates: Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2000. (PC301)

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY

In re the Estate of CAROLYN ANN MITCHELL, Deceased. Case No. MP-14874

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF CAROLYN ANN MITCHELL

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court at 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, California 93940, and mail a copy to Phillips Barnes at 3097 Messenger Drive, Marina, California 93923, or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 30 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 9103 of the Probate Code. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.

Donald G. Freeman
Attorney for the Estate
Post Office Box 805
Carmel, California 93921

Publication dates: March 3, 10, 17, 2000. (PC 302)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20000406. The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: **TENET PHYSICIAN SERVICES OF THE CENTRAL COAST**, 3820 State Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93105. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on January 20, 1999 in the County of Monterey and original File No. 990124. Tenet HealthSystem Partners, Inc., a California Corporation, 3820 State Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93105. This business was conducted by a corporation. Signed: TENET HEALTHSYSTEM PARTNERS, INC., By: Richard B. Silver, Secretary. This statement was filed with

the County Clerk of Monterey County on February 22, 2000. Publication dates: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2000. (PC303)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, March 22, 2000. The public hearings will be opened at 4:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE CITY COUNCIL, AT OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

1. DS 00-3
Mr. Ron Barr
E/S Casanova btwn. Ocean & 4th
Block EE Lot(s) 38
Consideration of a design study application for alterations to an existing residence located in the R-1 District.

2. DS 00-7, RE 00-8
Mr. Pat Corrigan
SE corner Guadalupe and 4th
Block 44 Lot(s) 2
Consideration of design review and design study applications for the demolition of an existing single-family dwelling and the construction of a new single-family dwelling located in the R-1 District.

3. DS 99-12
Mallery Feiner Co.
W/S N. Carmelo btwn. 2nd & 4th
Block NN Lot(s) 17 and pt. of 19
Consideration of a Design Study application for the construction of a new single-family residence located in the R-1 District.

Planning Commission
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
(s) Karen Crouch
Secretary said Commission
Publication dates: March 10, 2000 (PC 305)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DONALD HARVEY MCGILVRA, deceased, also known as

DONALD H. MCGILVRA, Case Number MP 14889
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of DONALD HARVEY MCGILVRA, also known as DONALD H. MCGILVRA.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DONALD G. FREEMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DONALD G. FREEMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required

to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 7, 2000 at 10:30 a.m. in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Petitioner DONALD G. FREEMAN, P.O. Box 805, Carmel, CA 93921. (831) 624-5339. (s) DONALD G. FREEMAN, Petitioner. Publication dates: March 10, 17, 24, 2000. (PC306)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EUGENIE A. MELCHIOR, deceased.

Case Number MP 14888
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of EUGENIE A. MELCHIOR.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CLARISSE DUYGOU in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CLARISSE DUYGOU be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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Attorney for petitioner DONALD G. FREEMAN, Perry and Freeman, P.O. Box 805, Carmel, CA 93921. (831) 624-5339. (s) Clarisse Duygou, Petitioner.

Publication dates: March 10, 17, 24, 2000. (PC307)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20000435. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **BAY VIEW SERVICES**, 838 Pedersen Ct., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. PAUL PLACHY, 838 Pedersen Ct., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on Feb. 15, 2000. (s) Paul Plachy. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 24, 2000. Publication dates: Mar. 10, 17, 24, 31, 2000. (PC308)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF MONTEREY
In the Matter of the Application of BERLEY DUONG, petitioner, by NGUYET MONG DUONG, mother for Change of Name Case No. M47530.

WHEREAS, NGUYET MONG DUONG, petitioner, as mother of applicant Berley Duong, a minor, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing petitioner's name from Berley Duong to Brenda Mai;

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department Law and Motion of this court, located at 1200 Agujito Road, Monterey, CA 93940, on March 3, 2000, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Date: Jan. 24, 2000.

Michael S. Fields,
Judge of the Superior Court
Publication dates: Feb. 18, 25, March 3, 10, 2000. (PC217)

File No. 20000281

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ALBERTSONS**, 6565 Knott Avenue, Buena Park, CA 90620

Lucky Stores, Inc., Delaware, 250 Parkcenter Blvd., Boise, Idaho 83706

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on November 3, 1999.

SIGNED: **LUCKY STORES, INC.**, By: Julie Thomson Backe, Asst. Sec.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on February 4, 2000.

NOTICE-This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 17900 et seq., Business and Professions Code). First Filing

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PUBLIC NOTICE



The Planning Commission is conducting a second special public hearing on a proposed ordinance and draft design guidelines for development in the R-1 Single-Family Residential District at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, 16 March 2000 in Carpenter Hall at Sunset Community & Cultural Center (located on Mission Street between Eighth and Tenth Avenues). The Commission welcomes your comments and suggestions. If approved by the Commission, the ordinance and guidelines will be transmitted to the City Council for a hearing and consideration of adoption.

Copies of the ordinance and guidelines are available for review at City hall and at Harrison Memorial Library. Copies are available for purchase (at cost) at Copies by the Sea at the southwest corner of Dolores Street and Fifth Avenue. Copies will also be made available (at cost) at the Community Planning and Building Department counter at City Hall on Monte Verde between Ocean and Seventh Avenues beginning Tuesday, 29 February 2000.

The ordinance would establish new regulations for setbacks, height, coverage and floor area. The City's design review process would be amended and incentives and disincentives would be adopted to achieve a variety of design objective, including: design diversity, reduced visible mass and bulk, retention of larger, multiple-lot parcels, and renewal of the urban forest.

The proposed ordinance and guidelines is a product of the Design Traditions Project and will become part of the City's Local Coastal Program if adopted.

Design Traditions Meeting Location

SUNSET COMMUNITY & CULTURAL CENTER
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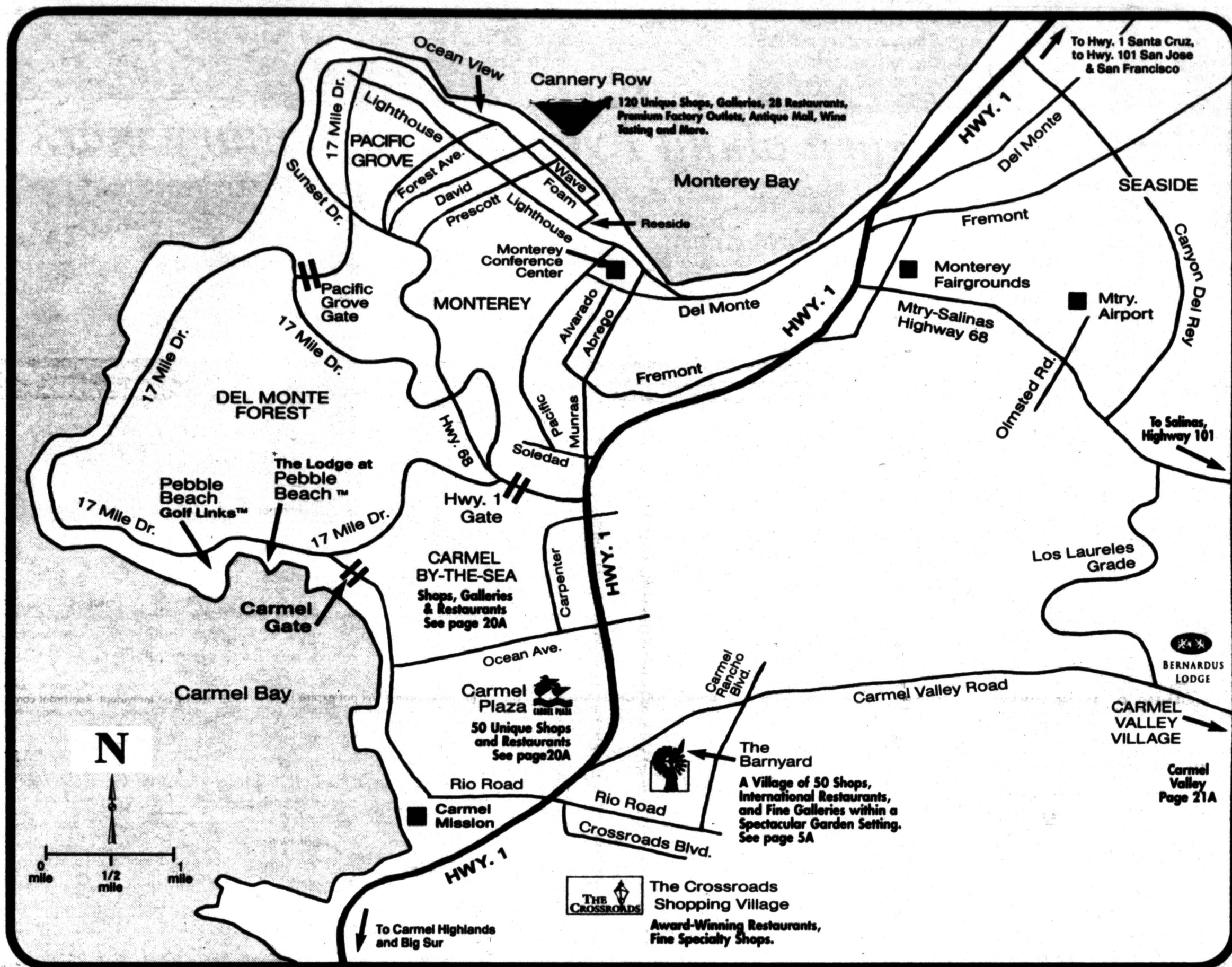
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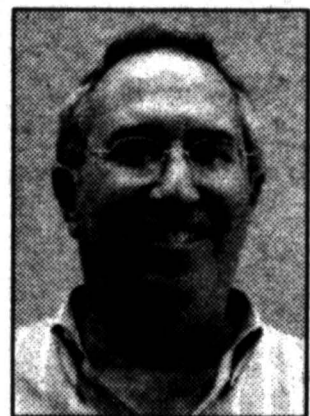
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FINE SONGWRITER WILL SHOW OFF HIS SINGING GIFTS

SINGER/SONGWRITER David Moore is back with another album, "Breaking Down to 3," and performs at 8 p.m. this Sunday (March 12) at Morgan's Coffee & Tea in downtown Monterey. A regular guest on Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion," Moore plays heartfelt Americana-laced folk and blues and tours regularly throughout the United States and Canada. His first two recordings, "Jukejoints and Cantinas" (1985) and "Over My Shoulder" (1990), earned critical acclaim and his latest album, a "bumpy and grinding ride through the craziness and beauty of life," serves to further embellish his reputation.



Plugged In

By Stephen L. Vagnini

Says one critic for folk music magazine *Dirty Linen*, "The truth is that Dave Moore is one of America's finest songwriters. He is someone who can pull memories from a battered Gibson like wrinkled shirts from a road-worn suitcase." Tickets are \$9 at the door.

Performing tonight (March 10) at Morgan's is the husband and wife team of **Steve Gillette** and **Cindy Mangsen**. Best known as songwriter for such major artists as John Denver, Linda Ronstadt and Garth Brooks, Gillette is a talented guitarist and singer in his own right. Mangsen, his wife, is a compelling vocalist, adding banjo, guitar and concertina. Showtime is at 8; tickets are \$10 at the door (\$5 for students with ID).

At the Jazz & Blues Company

Performing at Carmel's Jazz & Blues Company this Saturday and next (March 11 and 18) are two talented vocalists, both regulars and favorites of the intimate Carmel

venue. **Mary Stallings**, a native San Franciscan, draws inspiration from and has been influenced by greats Dinah Washington, Billie Holiday, Sara Vaughan and Ella Fitzgerald. Singing in jazz clubs since her early teens, Stallings played a number of West Coast gigs with Dizzy Gillespie, including a memorable performance at the 1965 Monterey Jazz Festival.

Stallings toured for a year with Billy Eckstine and with the Count Basie Orchestra until she decided to go into semi-retirement for most of the '70s and '80s in order to raise her family. Since her return, Stallings has released three albums on the Concord Jazz label. She is accompanied this Saturday by pianist **Merrill Hoover**.

Massachusetts native **Rebecca Parris** has recorded seven albums and has received nine Boston Music Awards. In addition to touring regularly as a solo artist, Parris has performed and shared the stage with jazz greats Dizzy Gillespie, Count Basie, Woody Herman, Buddy Rich, Shirley Horn and others.

Hear her at the Jazz & Blues Company at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, accompanied by pianist **Bob Phillips**, drummer **Mike McKinley** and a bassist to be named. Admission is \$25 per person. Call 624-6431 for reservations.

'Mr. Monterey' on stage

At the Hyatt Monterey, drummer **David Morwood** performs with Mike

"Mr. Monterey" Marotta and bassist **Buddy Jones** tonight (March 10) and is joined by guitarist **Tim Volpicella** on Saturday, March 11.

On Sunday, March 12, **Lee Durley** hosts his popular jazz jam between 2 and 6 p.m. Next week's lineup at the Hyatt includes a weekend with local piano virtuoso **Bob Phillips**.

Volpicella, a graduate of the Berklee School of Music, has studied with John Abercrombie, John Scofield and Dave Liebman. He has performed with many renowned artists including Duke Jethrow, Chet Baker and Russell Ferrante of the Yellow Jackets. His new CD, "Unspoken Words," is a classy collection of nine originals, but his performance at the Hyatt is sure to include jazz standards. Call 625-0735 for more info.

Big Sur Jazz Festival update

The **Big Sur JazzFest** scheduled for the weekend of May 5-7 has announced this year's lineup. The strong, eclectic mix includes **Along Came Betty**, the **Left Coast All Stars**, **Ledisi** with **Anibade**, **Jellyroll**, **Mimi Fox**, **John "Broadway" Tucker** with **Bill Heid** and **Dave Workman**, **Paula West**, **Peter Apfelbaum** and **Just Friends**. Groups perform throughout the weekend at various Big Sur venues and the weekend culminates with a final concert at Big Sur Pfeiffer State Park. For tickets and more information call 667-1530.

AIDS MINISTRY BENEFIT



WHAT: Shelly Cullin accompanied by the Bob Phillips Trio will preview "Something Borrowed: A Lady's Prerogative," in a benefit for the John XXIII AIDS Ministry

WHEN: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 11
WHERE: Hidden Valley Theater, Carmel Valley Road near Ford Road in C.V. Village

COST: \$25 or two tickets for \$45
INFO/RESERVATIONS: 655-1737



Virginia Fry, renowned cartoonist Gus Arriola and his wife, Frances, and Ilene Tuttle catch up on the latest at the Carmel Art Association cocktail reception.

Eugenie de la Tour, Elsa Towle and Patty Bumpus shared a table at the Carmel Valley Women's Club luncheon.



PHOTOS/SSI/MALEKI

Carmel Valley women learn about living to the century mark

IN MY continuing campaign to remove the rose-tinted impression you all have about the life of social columnists, this week I'll address the issue of getting lost.

There's something terribly annoying about roads that refuse to lay themselves out the way a normally infallible AAA map expects them to do. Especially when they — the conniving roads, that is — know you're running late for an event.



People and Places

By Sissi Maleki

Before you techie snobs smugly advise me to get a car with Web access so I can refer to an online map, I should point out that such technology is useless in areas carved by illogically patterned roads (e.g. our world here). Map designers were never taught about arboreal civil rights.

As for the other snobs who'd tell me that a GPS (Global Positioning System) would never fail me, I'd say to them: "Next time I'm driving in circles in Pebble Beach, use your own @\$% GPS to find me and then be sure to parachute me a pair of wings."

As usual, though, I do try to look at the upside of my lovely experiences.

I now know that if my uncontrollable tongue should ever accidentally invite an out-of-towner who doesn't deserve to come into town, all I need to do is tell him to look

up my location on one of the online map sites.

And maybe one day, I may still stumble across him — or his bones, that is . . .

BEFORE YOU retort to this headline with, "Who'd be crazy enough to want to live to 100?" — let me tell you about the lecture presented March 1st by the Carmel Valley Women's Club at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club.

A presentation by acclaimed author and gerontologist Walter Bortz, M.D. left most attendees actually believing reaching 100 might not be that crazy after all. The key? "Stay physically active, use your mind, maintain intimacy and a sense of meaning in life." Sounds like a cinch, no?

Maxine Silliman probably thinks so. She just had a birthday bash at La Playa, courtesy of her daughter Julie, and looked terrific. So did another birthday gal, Margaret Robinson, who had to listen to the whole room of members singing birthday wishes to her!

Wallace & Lu Davis couldn't help but talk of their grandson Martin Taylor, 10. This young man had just published a book on aphids that had attracted one of the largest crowds at Thunderbird Bookstore for the signing!

Oh, and just in case you feel overwhelmed by what needs to be done, according to Dr. Bortz, look for his new book in September: "Aging for Dummies."

CAA exhibits gratitude

Just because the Carmel Art Association

has a great reputation for quality artists doesn't mean they take their patrons for granted.

On March 4th the staff had the chance to spoil their associate members with a "Meet the Artists Party" which filled up the gallery on Dolores Street.

A number of leading community individuals were present, including Jane Dart and Jennefer Santee, who was escorted by her brother, Skip Lloyd. Renowned cartoonist Gus Arriola was also there with his wife Frances.

Antiques dealer Anna Beck was overheard discussing her ambivalence about business on the Internet. The idea of missing out on the human interaction makes it very unappealing to Anna. "At the end of the day, I feel so good because I love the people I meet," she explained.

Better take advantage of this institution — it's one of the few remaining vestiges of Carmel tradition . . .

Gateway family of supporters keeps growing

If there's only one way to describe the dinner guests who gathered March 3rd at Rancho Cañada, all are passionate supporters of a cause very dear to their hearts.

That date marked the second annual fundraising dinner for Gateway, group dedicated to helping developmentally disabled individuals.

It is to the credit of founder John Wecker that there's a real sense of family among supporters — far beyond the numerous adult children of John's that also heartily support their father's vision. Some who were there included Mike & Cheryl Wecker and Ron & Paula Ridley.

Bruna Odello is another major supporter, despite her very heavy schedule of commitments. She confessed that she has her



Well-known locals Bruna Odello and Maxine Klaput didn't dare miss the annual Gateway Center fundraiser.

hands full, especially with her growing photography fame. Nonetheless, she insists, "I don't want to give up anything because I love everything I do!"

Celebration was also in order for Gateway, given two recent very generous donations. One was from an NPS professor who gave \$125,000 toward the purchase of additional housing, so that his sister could have the space needed for Gateway to accept her. Another donor gave \$73,000, in a similar deal, so that the donor's son could have the housing required to take him on. (Both wish to remain anonymous.)

Joel Dilworth and Caroline Johnson, accompanied this evening with friend Polly Thomas, continue to be a very fun-loving couple with an extra dose of humor. When Joel, supposedly referring to Caroline, commented that "every night is exciting," she tartly responded: "You're not with me every night!"

Others spotted at the dinner included Cathleen Nysewander and Tina Lysenko.

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'Later Life' at Cherry Center stands as first-rate, captivating theater

By NATHALIE PLOTKIN

IF YOU wish to experience and enjoy an engrossing and diverting evening of absolutely first-rate theater, go see "Later Life" at Carmel's Cherry Center. But, don't dally because there are only two weekends left in the run and this intimate venue fills quickly.

Presented under the auspices of the MPC Players, "Later Life" is a gem of a play. This production — which is its Central Coast debut — is a jewel-like achievement on the part of the players and director Conrad Selvig.

Author A.R. Gurney is a popular dramatist whose comedies are familiar to peninsula audiences. "Sylvia," seen here recently, though not a major opus, was certainly entertaining and easily remembered. Several of Gurney's other works have been produced on most of the local stages very successfully.

Two lost souls

This work deals with two middle-aged lost souls who are in need of a second chance to revitalize their lives and to reach out to happiness. It quickly engages the attention and sympathy of the onlookers. There is Austin (Terry Durney), who lives in unrealistic but constant fear of unidentifiable disaster, and Ruth (Connie Erickson), who has met and surmounted almost, but not quite all, of the disasters in her life.

They meet for the second time some 30 years after a brief encounter in their youth, and while attracted to each other again, must struggle to

overcome their accumulated baggage. This is all revealed through brilliant dialogue and word play, creating much witty insight. Durney and Erickson are totally captivating in their roles.

Also, using a favorite Gurney writing device, there are the two main characters and then 10 supporting roles played by two other wonderfully skilled actors who create the diversions and punctuate the revelations of what makes Austin and Ruth who they are.

They in turn are magnificently portrayed by Michele Savage and Robert Norwood. Their range of characterizations and the actual body language to match, was almost incredible. They were so good that I wondered why there were only four actors taking bows at the end of the show.

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Austin (Terry Durney) and Ruth (Connie Erickson) portray two middle-aged lost souls who meet again after a 30-year separation.



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Make note of this: **TOWN OR TRAVEL** has moved to a convenient spot in the heart of Carmel by the

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'Front Page' a chestnut roasted to a tasty turn at MPC Theater

By NATHALIE PLOTKIN

THE MPC Theater Company's "Season 2000," celebrating a century of American theater, opened with the 1928 stage classic "The Front Page" by Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur. Revival after revival, it keeps rolling along like "Old Man River," Fascinating and challenging directors and actors and, when done well, as it is in this production, delighting audiences.

Sumptuously large newsroom

Director Peter DeBono is to be congratulated for roasting this chestnut to an enjoyable, tasty turn. While the show demonstrates its age in some respects, his carefully thought through editing sanitized the details and language that would be distastefully pungent to present-day theater goers. But, that sumptuously large newsroom (it is a handsome one set play) would have been far messier and definitely smoke-filled.

Instead of a bedroom farce, it is a newsroom farce with the flavor of a bygone age. A black comedy, it tells about uncaring, jaded newspaper men, corrupt politicians, frustrated romance and the complete cynicism of the unexpected ultimate villain, the newspaper editor.

The large and professionally polished

cast set a sparkling pace once the script got the plot set-up out of the way but the pace could be tightened.

Henry Guevara as reporter Hildy Johnson who falls in love with an all-American girl and wants to leave the sleazy newspaper business and lead a "normal" life is a strong and convincing actor. His emotions are clearly shown and he garners audience sympathy as he tries to escape from the clutches of his editor, Walter Burns.

Burns, as personified by Gary Bolen, a new theater instructor at MPC, is a joy to watch. Quietly and smoothly, he portrays his distinctly untrustworthy character with snakelike subtle malevolence.

Though central to the plot, Michael Lojkovic's role is short and understated, given his importance as the man to be hanged in this heartless romp.

Bill Lindsay doing his usual great job as the slow-witted sheriff, has the character under complete control and the details are fun to watch. Playing off him in polished style, Michael Robbins as the unscrupulous, election hungry mayor makes a fine team member.

There are three symbolic female roles and each one was played to avoid the clichés they became over time. As the love interest, Elizabeth Klaas-Guevara brings life to

an essentially two-dimensional role. She is warm and appealing. You could see why Hildy Johnson wanted to spend a normal life with her.

Nancy Kocher did her usual expert personification of the scatterbrained future mother-in-law and complicating factor in the action.

Jacqueline Colon as the red satin clad Mollie Malloy, expressed her humane feelings very well, but could make more of her appearance.

The seven police reporters kept the colorful newsroom chatter bouncing along smoothly. Fabian Martin as Pincus, played his highly important role to cheers.

In addition, Lisa Estabrook as a neglected wife and Tricia Wayne as a picturesque cleaning lady had fine cameo appearances.

"The Front Page" keeps coming back because it has all the elements of a good play. There's humor, drama, pathos, strong characters and once it gets going, it develops a momentum which is irresistible.

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What's Happening

To advertise in this space call 624-0162

THE TULARCITOS Parent Teacher Organization invites you to attend its "Spring Fling." Be sure to wear some flowers in your hair as "the beat goes on," 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, March 25 at Rancho Cañada. Cocktails, dinner with wine, dancing to the Do Dads and silent and live auctions highlight this benefit.

Tickets are \$40 per person or \$320 per table of eight. For reservations, call 659-5733 or visit the office at Tularcitos School in Carmel Valley Village.

CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION for German artist **Eberhard Hueckstadt**, 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, March 17 at Hart Gallery, Ocean

Avenue between Dolores and Lincoln, Carmel. Mixed media, figurative, still life and landscapes. RSVP to attend reception at (831) 622-7110 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Website: www.hartgallery.com

PLAY BRIDGE (duplicate) in Carmel! Games sanctioned by A.C.B.L. and begin 1 p.m. Wednesdays at the Carmel Woman's Club, San Carlos at Ninth. Call 625-4307 for information. Bridge also scheduled at 1 p.m. Fridays in the Vista Lobos building, Third and Torres. Call 646-0510. Fee is \$5.

BLOWING ZEN: A performance of Shakuhachi (Japanese bamboo flute) featuring master Shakuhachi flutists John Singer and Shigeo Tachibana with Sumi Honami on koto is scheduled this month. Performance begins 8 p.m. Saturday, March 11 at the Church of Religious Science, Carleton Hall, 400 W. Franklin St., Monterey. Admission is \$10 at the door. For more info, call (510) 528-2027.

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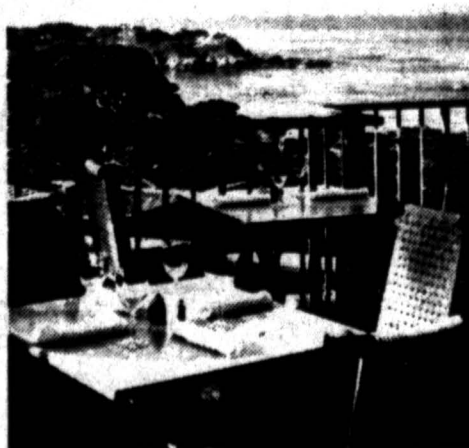
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By Margot Petit Nichols

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GRANDPA
JOE of Carmel Valley will sign his book, "Giant Tales" from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 11 at The Thunderbird Bookshop, 3600 Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel. Grandpa Joe is a service station employee at Lemos Union '76 gas station on Carmel Rancho Boulevard. For inquiries, call 624-1803.

LIBRARIES ARE closing right and left — but only for repair and upgrading: The Monterey Public Library will be closed from Monday, March 13 through Sunday, April 2 for carpeting, wiring and safety improvements.



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During renovation, perhaps the powers that be could move the book depository on the corner of Sixth and Lincoln to the middle of the street, so that motorists could pull up, drop in returning books and drive on. As it is, we have to park and get out of our cars to return books: So fatiguing!

RUTH AMONETTE of Carmel will sign "Among Equals" from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at The Thunderbird Bookshop. Published this month by Creative Arts Publishing, Berkeley, the book is a memoir of her 15 years with IBM; she was their first woman vice president from 1943 - 1953. In the book, she tells of her ground-breaking time with the company, including her first-ever speech — before 2,500 men. For information, call 624-1803.

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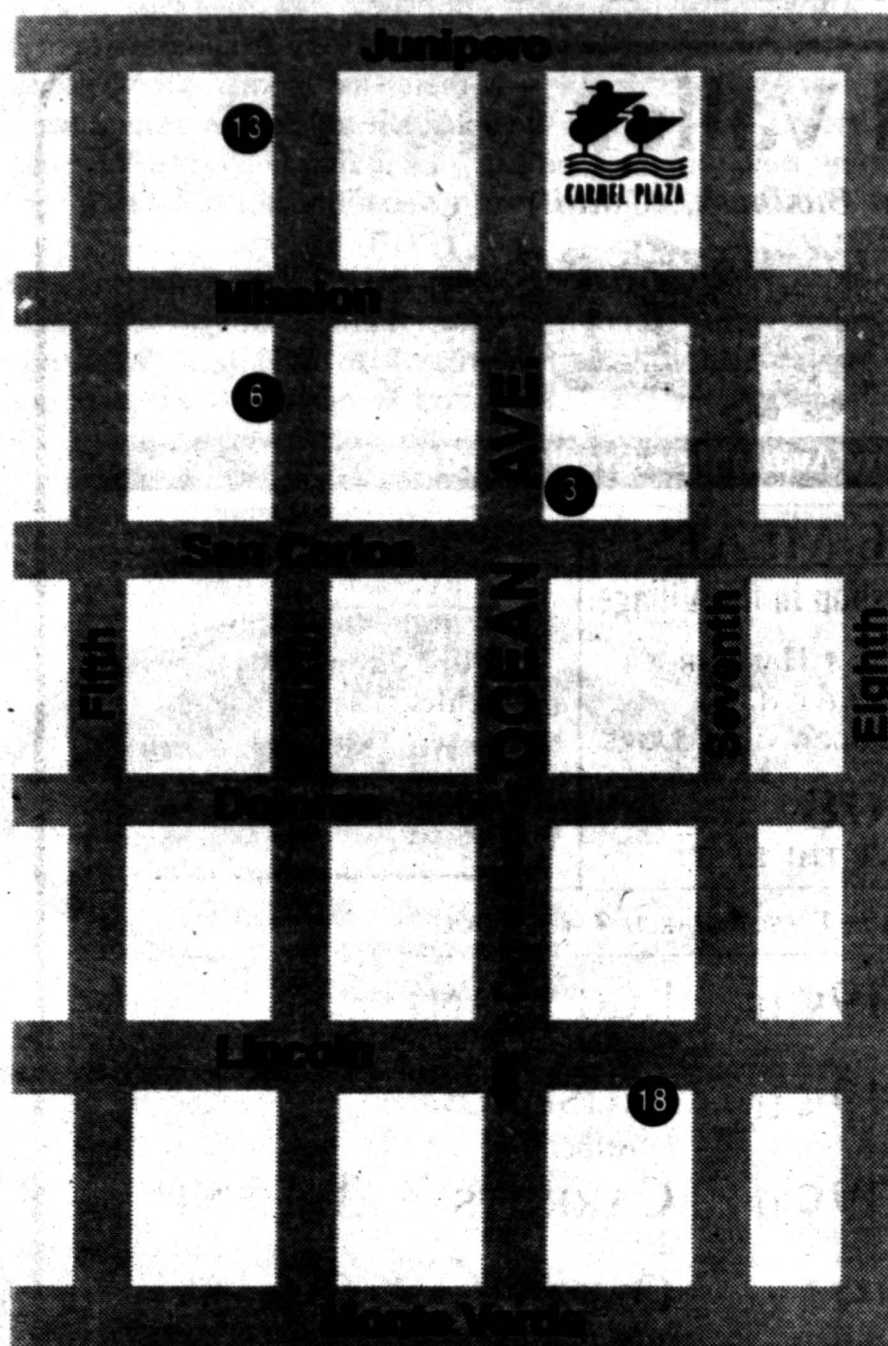
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MUSHROOMS

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Therefore, it's vitally important to be able to identify wild mushrooms before going on a hunt. Carpenter recommends reading Santa Cruz author David Arora's "Mushrooms Demystified" published by Berkeley's Ten-Speed Press. But until you become a certified mycologist, be sure to take one

(a mycologist) with you.

Now for the safe and easy way to bring home wild mushrooms to cook in your own kitchen: Buy them from your local green grocer. If you're not a mycologist, at least you can be a mycophagist.

Gary Fujii, in charge of produce at Grove Market, 242 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, gets all Grove Market's wild fungi from a trusted, certified picker out of Santa Cruz who supplies most of the restaurants and produce markets on the Monterey Peninsula.

Fujii said that the chanterelle season is about at an end, but he still has some at \$9.99 a pound.

Chanterelles have to be cleaned thoroughly before cooking because they capture dirt and mud in their frilly gills. Fujii uses a soft toothbrush to clean them. "Don't use water," he cautioned. "It absorbs and detracts from the flavor."

This advice is in contrast to Carpenter, who says he cleans chanterelles with a garden hose and sprayer. We assume he performs this task quickly so that the mushrooms don't absorb the water.

Preparing chanterelles for the table

The easiest way to prepare chanterelles for a gourmet feast is to sauté them in butter or your favorite oil, Fujii says. "But first, slice them up. For extra flavoring, sauté chopped shallots until they're translucent, then add the chanterelles. Bring the heat up, stir, then lower it and let them cook uncovered for 20 to 30 minutes. Wild mushrooms need longer cooking in contrast to cultivated white mushrooms, which cook quickly," he said. "They're good with any meat, poultry or fish."

And Fujii tosses them into pasta, too. He adds a little heavy cream to the pan in which the mushrooms have been sautéed, reduces it over high heat, then adds it to the pasta, with a little pepper.

Small chanterelles can be sautéed whole. "On the dinner plate, they look like an edible garnish," he said.

Grove Market also carries morels in season — and that season is fast approaching. Early morels start in March. The season continues in April to June. Morels generally grow only in forests that have recently been reduced by forest fires, in old apple orchards or where there are lots of dead elms. They range in price from a high of \$30 a pound, down to \$12 or \$13 a pound.

"Sometimes we get them from as far away as Michigan," Fujii said — but with the Los Padres Forest having been badly burned during the early winter, one wonders if there will be a bumper crop of local morels this year.

Whole Foods in Del Monte Center, Monterey has a good supply of wild mushrooms, too: Shiitake, portobellos, crimini (which are simply small portobellos, but with an entirely different flavor), and chanterelles. Their chanterelles are grown in Oregon, and also cost \$9.99. The crimini and shiitake are grown within 150 miles of Monterey, with shiitake being the most expensive at present, at \$14.99 a pound.

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Texas developers sue John Gardiner's estate

By MARY BROWNFIELD

HOUSTON-BASED Pristine Development, LLC, filed suit against John Gardiner's estate in Monterey County Superior Court Feb. 25. The development company says it has a contract to buy the world-famous John Gardiner's Tennis Ranch for \$7 million and that Gardiner's heirs tried to get out of the agreement after he died Jan. 15.

Gardiner founded the tennis resort, located near the entrance to Carmel Valley Village, in 1957. He built it into a magnet for celebrities and tennis lovers of all ages.

Monterey attorney Hugo Gerstl, representing Pristine Development, said his client entered into a contract with Gardiner's trust to purchase the tennis ranch, but the sellers threatened to back out after the founder's death.

"Originally escrow was to close Feb. 28, but after it opened, there were some problems along the way," Gerstl said. Resolution of the problems was complicated by Gardiner's untimely death, he added.

His client asked for an extension of the escrow in order to resolve the difficulties, but Gardiner's trustees objected, according to Gerstl.

"The trust said, 'No, we don't agree, and now it will cost you more. Otherwise, we're not going to sell,'" Gerstl said.

So Pristine Development — a limited liability corpo-

ration whose partners are Houston residents John Meacham and Richard Taylor — took the case to court in an attempt to push the sale through.

"Without trying to be disagreeable, we've gone to court," Gerstl said, adding that he hopes to resolve the dispute with Gardiner's estate before the case progresses any further. "From my perspective, a good settlement is infinitely better than a bad lawsuit," he said.

The suit asks for the right to purchase the property and, with it, Gardiner's name, as well as attorney's fees and the cost of the suit. The suit estimates Gerstl's fees at \$700,000 — 10 percent of the sale price — but he said he would only receive those fees if the suit carried through to the end.

"I've asked for the 10 percent, but do I expect to get it? No," he said. "Realistically I'd like to see this thing settled."

The attorney for John Gardiner's Tennis Ranch, Brian Call, did not respond to calls seeking comment.



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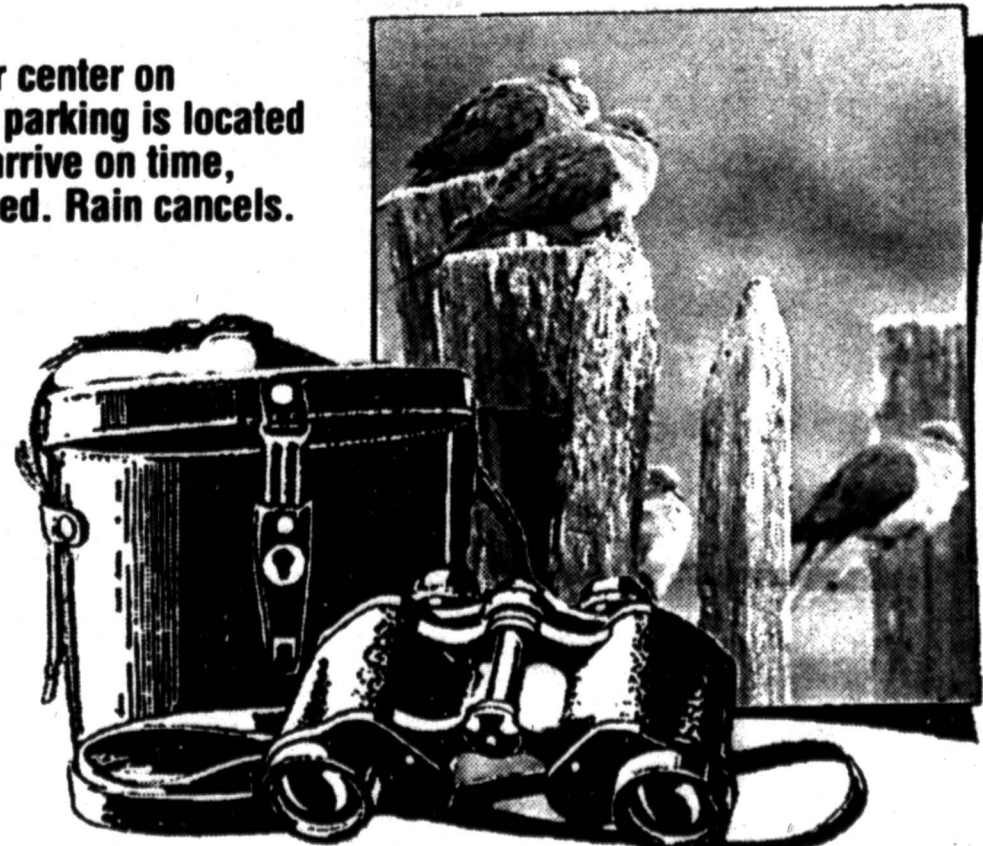
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Editorial

Voting against scare tactics

THE DECISIVE defeat of Monterey's Measure B this week was one of that city's finest moments. But the campaign leading up to it wasn't.

Right out of the gate the measure seemed more like an act of political vengeance than a good-faith attempt to protect the city's coast. Its principal author lost big time when she ran for mayor two years ago and, despite her protestations to the contrary, seemed embittered by her defeat. The selling of the measure as salvation for the coast from developers was an obviously disingenuous example of sloganeering which ignored the fact that Monterey's shore — and every other inch of California's coast — is already protected by very strict development controls. The California Coastal Act and its vigilant watchdog, the coastal commission, have seen to that. A few reporters assigned to the Measure B story seemed unaware that the coastal act exists, adding to public confusion over the significance of Measure B. One hapless TV reporter, for example, intoned that opponents of the measure "didn't want development controlled along the coast" — implying that without Measure B there would soon be skyscrapers on both sides of Del Monte Avenue. In print we were constantly told that Measure B "would limit development along the coast" — as if it hadn't already been strictly limited for decades. Such inept analyses inflamed the emotions of the measure's proponents — leading them to vandalize more than 1,000 "No on Measure B" signs and hang their chief opponent in effigy — and frightened the formidable opposition to the measure into spending colossal sums of money to defeat it. In the end the public's common sense and its distaste for scare tactics was, once again, demonstrated.

After all, many of the the very same voters who soundly rejected Measure B also marked their ballots for Dave Potter for supervisor. They surely knew that Potter, who also serves as vice chair of the coastal commission, has a long record as an outspoken proponent of preserving open space and allowing development only with very strict conditions to protect the natural environment. Potter's extensive support among the same Monterey voters who defeated Measure B demonstrates that the majority in that city wants very little development. Their opposition to Measure B shows that they can't be hornswoggled about how to achieve it.

BATES ON BOARD

Bill Bates is on a three-month trip around the world on the QE2, where he is the official shipboard cartoonist. This week he is journeying to Singapore, Malaysia and Sri Lanka.



"Wanna meet a man? Go to the laundry."

Letters to the Editor

City says board has to go
Dear Editor,

I am the owner of the restaurant "Chez Christian," off Ocean Avenue. On a beautiful winter morning, I had the pleasure to meet the new Enforcement Coordinator for the town of Carmel, Paul Mugan, who came into my restaurant to tell me to put away the board where I display my specials for the day.

This board usually stands right outside my restaurant, in the Golden Bough Court, where I am located. The purpose of this board is to let my customers know what my daily specials are, without them having to come all the way into the restaurant and ask in person, which is sometimes a little intimidating for people.

This board is also a nice way for me to tell people that my restaurant exists, it has a

normal size, I don't think it is bothering anybody, and I would like to keep the freedom of having it. If the City of Carmel wants to take that little piece of freedom away from me, then please come up with an alternative.

Being located in a little court off Ocean Ave, people are not always aware that my restaurant exists and I would like to be able to actually put my specials boards on Ocean Ave, especially at night time. I don't think it would bother anybody and I actually think that the City of Carmel should support their businesses instead of imposing dozens of regulations such as lighting, flags, signs, specials board . . . I am in favor of some of those regulations but we need to all work together in order for all of us to make of living. The city claims it does not have enough revenues, but it needs to work more with and not against the merchants in order to generate those

Please let's talk so we can compromise on a place to put my specials board without displeasing the city.

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HEROES

From page 1A

"Quietly and without fanfare of any kind, often without remuneration, Mr. Rogers visits his friends and clients wherever they may need him," White said.

Purvis and Levine were both honored for their tireless work at the Harrison Memorial Library.

For the last 28 years, Purvis has faithfully worked at the Scout House every week, sorting and pricing books for the library's annual sale. Purvis helps organize the sale

every year and "devotes seemingly endless energy" to the project, White said.

"Evelyn is also widely appreciated as a good neighbor, who quietly takes care of others," White said.

White praised Levine for arriving at the library every week "ready to perform any task that might be asked of him."

"At the Harrison Memorial Library, there are often jobs that no one on staff has time to get around to — but Harry Levine comes to the rescue over and over again."

The Unsung Heroes awards allows the city to honor those "who quietly go through a daily routine of helping others and don't seek recognition," White said.

LENZ

From page 1A

the Carmel Police Department, according to Detective Sgt. Pete Poitras. After acquiring records from the youth center and Carmel Chevron documenting the alleged embezzlement, Poitras turned the file over to the district attorney's office.

After examining the records for more than a week, Deputy District Attorney Ed Hazel decided to pursue the case. Lenz is expected to appear for his arraignment at the courthouse in Salinas March 23, according to Hazel.

Poitras and Hazel said Lenz has been cooperative in the investigation.

"He acknowledged he did not have the board's specific permission to do this," Poitras said. He added that the board members are united in their assertion that Lenz did not have permission to spend money on his personal vehicle.

Lenz did not return phone calls from The Carmel Pine Cone.



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Should the City play a greater role in raccoon abatement in the village?

Assuming there is no public health declaration, what should this role include? Education? Contracting for trapping services for both public and private property? Working the problem with our sister Peninsula cities?

As Mayor, I will encourage dialogue, planning and working together to produce any required action plan. One way to do this may be through "Community Workshops" on items of community interest.

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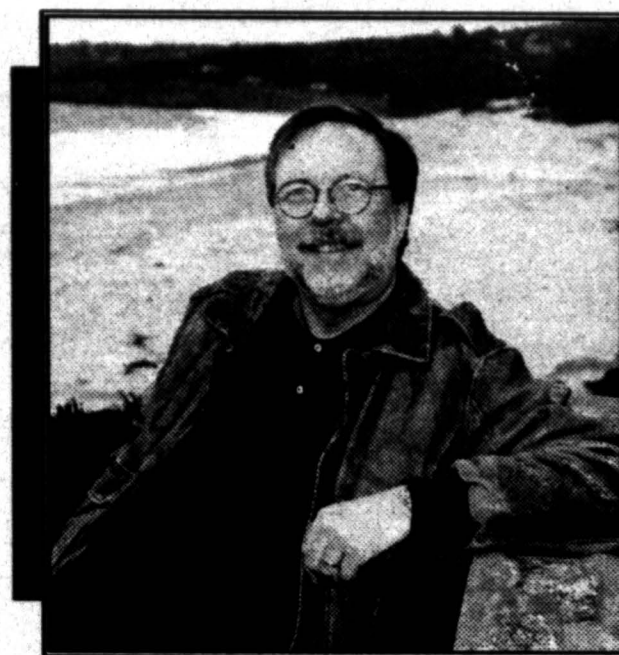
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Third, we should formally solicit money saving ideas from our citizens.

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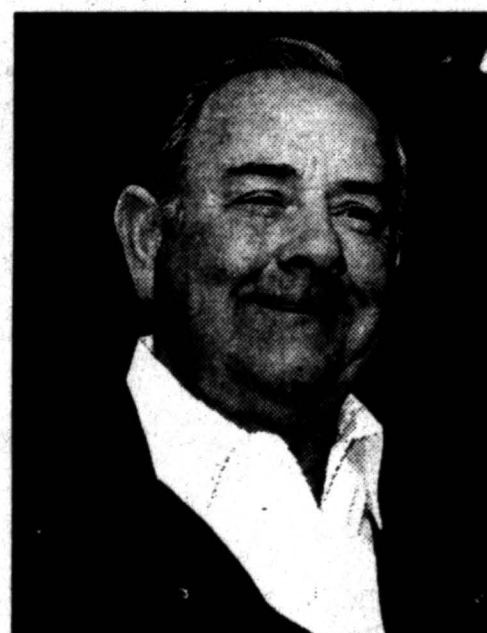
THIS IS YOUR CHANCE!

- Ken White is running for a fifth term as mayor. He is being challenged by council member Sue McCloud.
- Barbara Livingston and Marshall Hydorn are running for re-election to the city council. Dick Ely, Gerard Rose and Joe Steinfeld seek to unseat them.

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Girls' soccer team seeks sporting challenge across the pond

By MARY BROWNFIELD

PACIFIC GROVE High's varsity girls' soccer coach called it a "fluke thing."

A carload of British soccer players in town for a wedding happened to drive by PGHS while the team was practicing and challenged the girls to a scrimmage.

A few days later, the team received an invitation to play against English girls in exhibition games in Britain over Easter break.

"We were out practicing on the field and about seven or eight English fellows happened to be driving by and came over to see if they could have a scrimmage with us," coach Charlie Weaver recalled.

Katie Hosteny, voted All-Around Player for P.G. High School, goes after a slide tackle against Carmel's Shayda Mohvahedi, a senior at York. Hosteny and her teammates have less than three weeks to raise \$9,000 for a soccer tour of England.

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"Those guys were good," Weaver said of the male players, most of whom were their 20s, he guessed. "I told them, 'Don't hurt my girls.'"

They didn't, and a few nights later, a couple of them came to watch the girls defeat rival King City for the first time in a decade.

One of the Brits told Weaver, "If you want to play exhibition games in England, let me know." So the next day, when the team was still high from its victory, Weaver brought it up, and the girls said, "Yeah! Let's go!"

The money thing

The only obstacle to the trip to England — where they hope to make new friends, share gifts from America and play schools in Stratford-Upon-Avon, Stonehenge and Bath — is the \$24,750 price tag.

But it's a challenge they've risen to as quickly and fervently as they have their games this season, according to Weaver.

Through bake sales, car washes, and soliciting businesses, parents, friends and relatives, the team has raised \$16,000 so far.

"The girls went to each business with a letter, presented themselves and started crying," he said. "How can you turn down a 16-year-old girl?"

They voted to put down a non-refundable deposit March 6, which leaves only three weeks to raise the remaining \$9,000.

Although it supports their efforts, the school doesn't want to be directly involved in the campaign for the trip because of liability issues, so the players, parents and coaches have taken it on themselves.

Although the team still has a lot of work to do to raise the remaining money, Weaver — whose daughter also plays on the team — said the community's generosity has left a lasting impression on him and his players.

"It's the neatest thing in the world," he said. "Some of the people who donated — elderly individuals we don't even know — will say, 'I used to play soccer when I was a little kid. Here's \$20.'"

Anyone interested in pitching in to help the PGHS varsity girls' soccer team get to England should call coach Charlie Weaver at 649-8214.

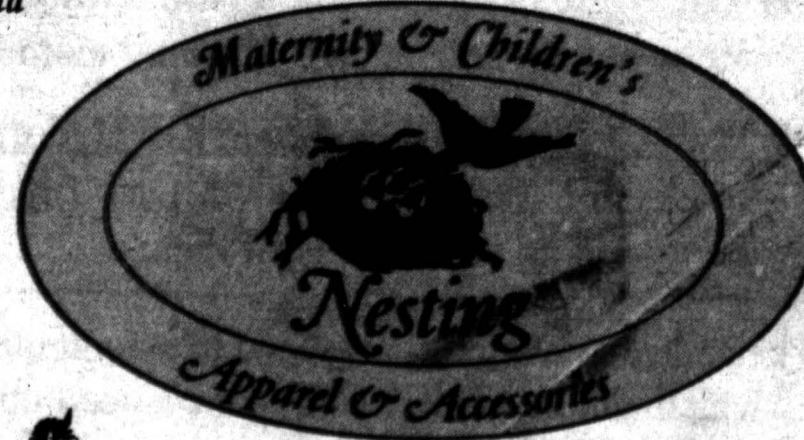
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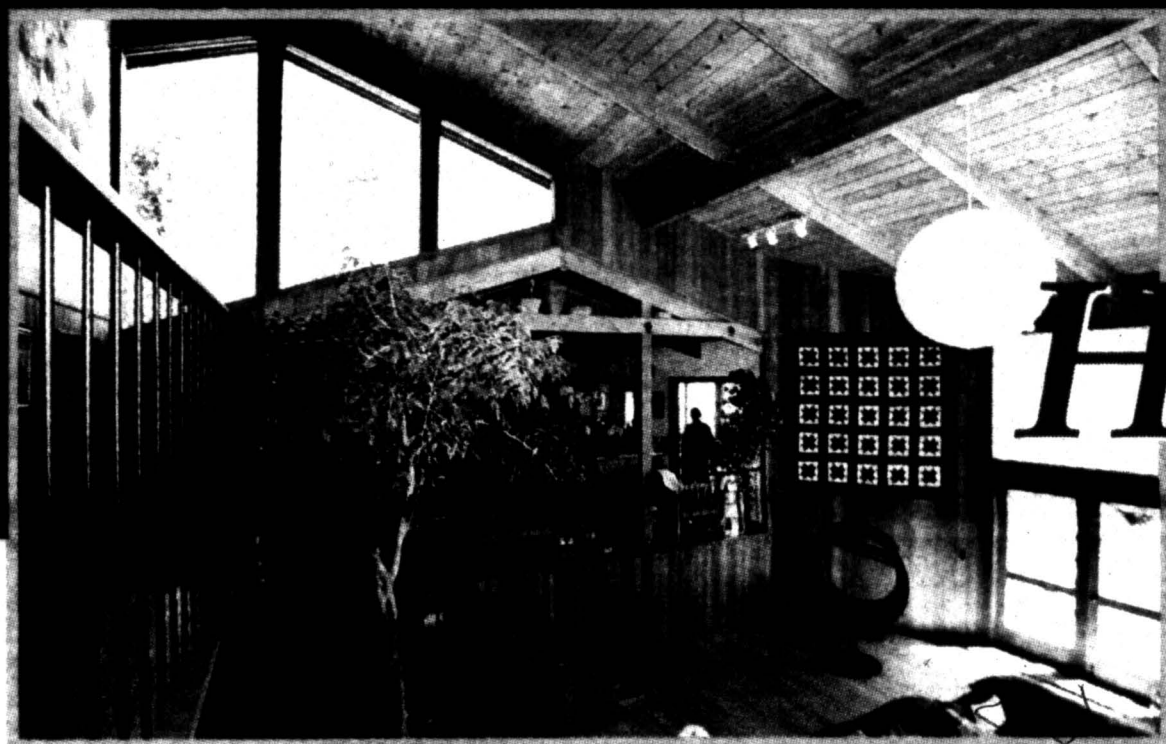
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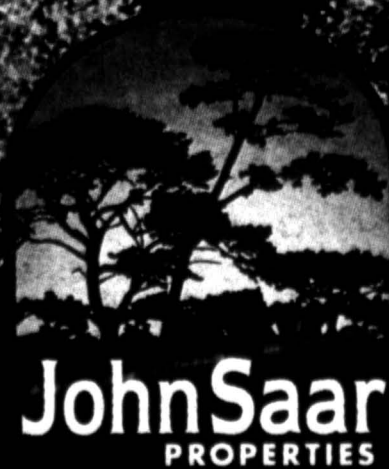
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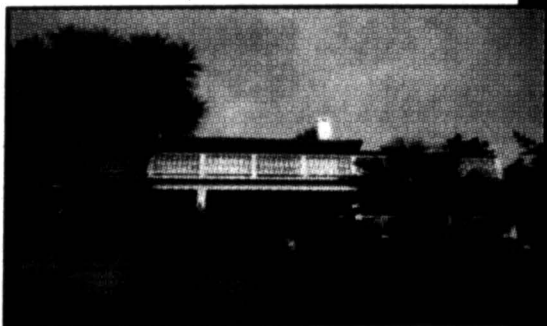
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Water management district gets spacious new digs

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A LOCAL government agency with a tarnished public image — the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District — will abandon its office complex on Eldorado Street in downtown Monterey for shiny new corporate digs at Ryan Ranch later this month.

The district was created 22 years ago in response to a severe drought and was supposed to enhance the Monterey Peninsula's water supply. During those years the water situ-

ation has, instead, gotten much worse and, after five straight above-average rain years, rationing is once again hitting the district's residents.

The agency's new, \$1.6 million Building G at Five Harris Court is right next door to the new offices of the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Board.

Water officials looked into the possibility of building their new offices, but opted to buy an existing building instead, according to MPWMD Administrative Services Manager Ray Millard.

"We didn't build the building — we bought a completed building — as opposed to the sewer agency, which bought dirt and built," said Millard. "This was much less expensive."

The district's new building comprises two floors totaling 10,000 square feet for the district's 25 workers.

Employees will pack up March 22, according to Millard, and the new building will be open for business March 27.

MPWMD Water Demand Manager Stephanie Locke Pintar said she looks forward to the move out of the old offices into the new Harris Court space.

"We're in an old apartment complex — it's not designed for the types of jobs that we do," she said. "So the new building will be really nice, and much more accessible."



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Home seller wants to take water credits with him

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

WHEN JON Hagstrom ripped an old darkroom out of a Carmel cottage he was rehabbing, he drastically cut potential water use at the home — the former residence of an artist and photographer.

"There were several big sinks and five different faucets in there," Hagstrom said of the darkroom, which is now a bedroom on the lower level of a beautiful craftsman-style home on Carmel Point. "The water inspector came through after the remodel was finished and told me that I had 9.5 unused water credits."

That's enough for a fancy kitchen or two elaborate bathrooms. Hagstrom wants to use

the credits on a future remodel job.

But he was quite perturbed when he learned that, according to district rules, excess residential water credits cannot be moved off the property where they were earned.

Businesses can move water credits around, as long as they stay in the same town or jurisdiction. "It's discrimination for them to tell a business it can move or sell its water, and at the same time tell me I can't," Hagstrom says.

But he acknowledged that, because of a state order that Cal-Am customers drastically cut the amount of water they use from the Carmel River, it's likely that transfer of water credits will probably get harder, not

easier.

"It's too bad because some of the smaller, older homes aren't desirable without modern conveniences — and without water you

can't add even a sink," Hagstrom said. He claims that water restrictions are making it harder to preserve older homes in Carmel and surrounding neighborhoods.

POLICE LOG

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was due home at 1800 hours. She is driving a silver Volvo wagon. BOL placed.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a verbal disturbance on Junipero and Sixth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a female adult, barefoot, walking a small white dog, who appeared to be disoriented. Found to be intoxicated, but inside her San Carlos residence. No further assistance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a red truck pulling up in front of a Santa Rita residence at least six times. Owner was out looking for her lost dog, driving back and forth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person walking through Junipero Serra School grounds contacted and warned.

Carmel Valley: Middle Canyon Road resident saw a person, talking to himself, near her property. He never set foot on her property. She has seen him in the area talking to himself and acting strange. She was concerned for his welfare. He was gone upon arrival. Checked his residence, but he was not home.

Carmel area: Unknown person(s) forced entry into a Scenic Road house. Entry was gained by smashing a vertical window adjacent to the front door. Those responsible simply reached in through the smashed window and unlocked the front door. Several items of value were stolen.

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The Haida House sits atop more than a gourmet camping spot in the middle of pristine wilderness, with natural hot springs, breathtaking views and cascading waterfalls all within hiking distance. I was christened in the frosty creek 27 years ago. My cousin and I used to catch rainbow trout there with salmon eggs for bait (before a nearby ecological reserve made fishing taboo) excitedly running back to our parents with tiny trout in tow. I hiked up to a ridge to watch the sun set on summer solstice 15 years later, the day my grandpa died.

Haida House Hideaway

Story and photos by MARY BROWNFIELD

The land came into my family along with my grandmother's second husband, who had ventured with four other men to pitch in a combined \$100,000 in 1960 to form a corporation in ownership of the property.

Today, their descendants hold shares in the property, which allows friends and offspring to benefit from the awe-inspiring beauty that remains.

Sitting amidst the splendor is the Haida House, our cabin carved by Dudley Carter. Carter was a white man who lived with the Haida Indians and learned his carving techniques from them.

Journals full of poetry, paintings, musings, doodles and odes to the Haida House reside there, evidence of the love and passion people have for the place. To each of us, it signifies something different.

My uncle, an investment banker in San Francisco, heads down for a celebration of his April birthday in solitude every year. My sister chooses the darkest, most wintry weekends — when everyone else stays away — to visit our forest dwelling and work her wonders of repair on whatever has been broken by time and the elements, shunning the threats of mudslides and an unruly, impassible river.

More a fair-weather fan like my mother, I save my trips down for

long, warm summer days. Fog occasionally foils even the best laid plans, but our canyon campsite is still heaven, even with a chill.

Whittled at the World's Fair

Carter carved the cabin for the 1936 Golden Gate International Exhibition (the World's Fair). When the fair ended and World War II began, Carter disassembled the house and set it back up in Hatton Fields, near the mouth of the Carmel River.

There it stood until my great grandfather discovered it, took it off Carter's hands for \$500 and moved it out to his

Carmel Valley ranch in 1941, where it remained next to the swimming pool for 30 years.

In 1973 the chimney began to collapse and pull the house down. Before it destroyed itself, Haida House was dismantled again and rebuilt in the safe refuge of the redwood trees by friends and family. Carter came to supervise the move.

And in a rare intrusion, government set foot on the pristine creekside ground and slapped the reconstruction with a stop-work order, demanding the proper permit.

My grandmother's husband finally

had it approved as a "picnic shelter," and the work continued. It was he who allowed Carter's creation to find its perfect resting place in Big Sur.

Years later, on his 100th birthday, Carter received a photograph of his daughter, granddaughter and great-granddaughter posing in front of the itinerant cabin.

Regardless of the family's adoration of the Haida House and its animal carvings, my uncle tells me the Haida Indians are not so enamored with the cabin. Carter was a white man, ignorant of their traditions, and the carved figures — save for the hawks on the

sides — are not traditional Haida characters. The center totem, which includes the door, appears too friendly for their liking. As my uncle said, "They liked to scare people with their ferocious characters."

TLC

Over the years, at the hands of loving and devoted family members, this paradise has evolved. The first remarkable addition was the flushing commode — plumbed with water from an underground stream and a holding

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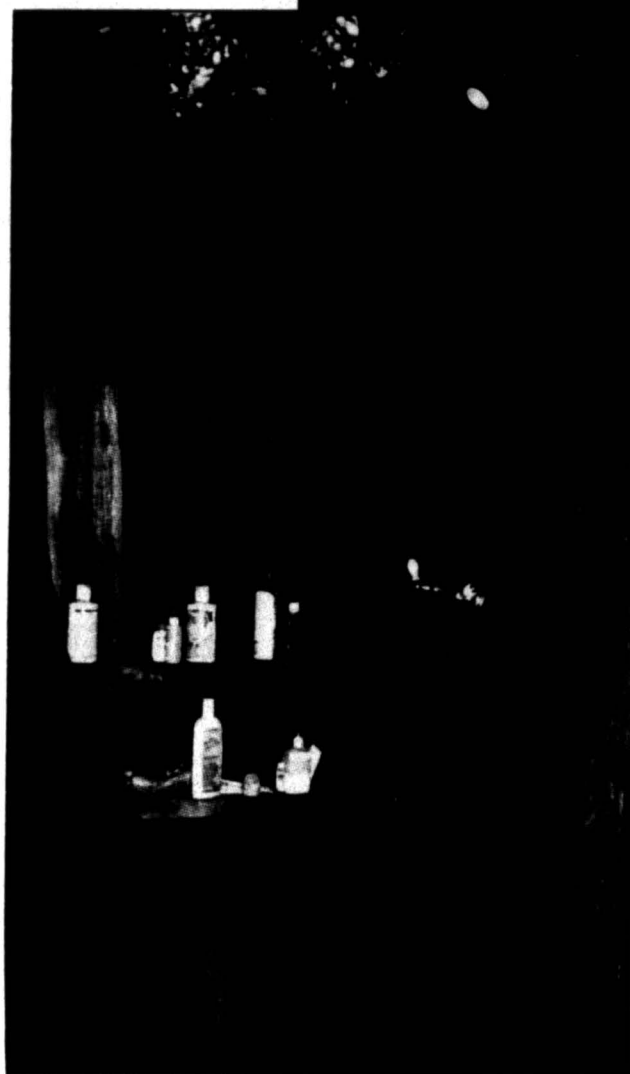
My ever-inventive uncle rigged up the shower (below), complete with luxuriant warm water — using a redwood tree at the back of the cabin.



The first remarkable addition was the flushing commode — plumbed with water from an underground stream and a holding tank — situated on a platform behind a burned and gnarled redwood tree and complete with a lovely forest view.



A hand-painted sink set in redwood marks the most recent addition to our creekside paradise.



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tank — situated on a platform behind a burned and gnarled redwood tree and complete with a lovely forest view.

Next came the shower — with hot water, a luxury rarely seen in the forest other than in a pot on a camping stove — floored with redwood slabs, its head embedded in the side of a tree. Small redwood branches give privacy; hand-carved ledges for abalone soap dishes, always important anti-poison oak soap and biodegradable shampoo, as well as a tiny limb for a washcloth, are within arm's reach.

In the shower room sits a hand-painted, leaf-adorned sink embedded in a piece of finished redwood, also with running hot and cold water. The source of the blessed heat sits shielded discreetly behind slabs of redwood bark. A mirror, candle for evening light, wooden towel rack and smooth bench complete the chamber, which is many times more splendid than the minuscule bathroom in my tiny home in town.

The "kitchen," all outdoors on a front terrace, boasts every desirable cooking utensil. Gourmet meals, after all, are a sacred tradition attached to visits to Paradise.

Family members and friends often stash away the best wine — bottles of coveted Pahlmeyer Chardonnay, for example — for weekends down south.

And a vintner's best talents represent only a fraction of a decadent Haida House dinner.

As the sun begins to set and the creek canyon falls in shadow, freshly showered, suitably exhausted hikers and revelers take steps towards satiation with home-smoked salmon, fresh French bread, capers and goat cheese.

The evening meal begins, creek babbling loudly nearby, on a grill. Imagine fresh asparagus brushed with olive oil and whole fresh fish grilled over open flame, followed by a green salad with crumbled Gorgonzola, sliced Fuji apples and spiced pecans.

My mother's famous brownies, inches thick and not for the faint of heart or those ambivalent about chocolate, follow with coffee or an after-dinner digestif. The bar in the Haida House is better stocked than those in most homes, a testament to the family's

exquisite collective palate and love of the finer things in life.

We've all been known to sit by the crackling fire, finishing off the wine late into the night, following sparks and fire ash skyward, our eyes lingering on the multitude of stars visible through the trees.

Sleep always comes on like a bank of fog, coolly, gently and completely. Lulled by the babble of the

creek and lungs full of mountain air, we sublimely sleep like the dead until morning, when we wake with the sun and eagerly anticipate that first cup of coffee.

To put it simply, everything tastes, sounds, smells and feels more exquisite when shrouded from the real world by aged redwoods and sung to by a brook. ☺



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Perry Newberry built this house to last, using granite from the last load quarried at the site of the Carmelite monastery.



A kiva-style fireplace warms the unusual dining room added later to the Newberry.

VENERABLE PERRY NEWBERRY HOUSE SPELLS HOME TO JOE AND LOUISE TANOUS

YOU HAVE to wonder what Perry Newberry would say today if he could see his old Dolores Street neighborhood. The man who was once the controversial mayor of Carmel ran on a platform of "If you want sidewalks, don't vote for me."

He even suggested a wall be built around the town, with visitor permits to be granted selectively. Just to make himself clear, he threw in the slogan: "Keep Carmel off the map. DON'T BOOST."

Newberry's point of view was adopted by some, but not all. The small stone house he built in 1925 at the south end of town is rapidly being surround-

ed by new and larger homes. And sadly, according to Joe and Louise Tanous, many of these residences stand empty much of the time - "weekenders" for the affluent.

The Tanouses bought the Newberry house in 1963 after it had passed

through several families and been modestly enlarged. As honeymooners from the Bay Area in 1954, they had fallen in love with Carmel, and like so many others, they hoped "someday" to live here.

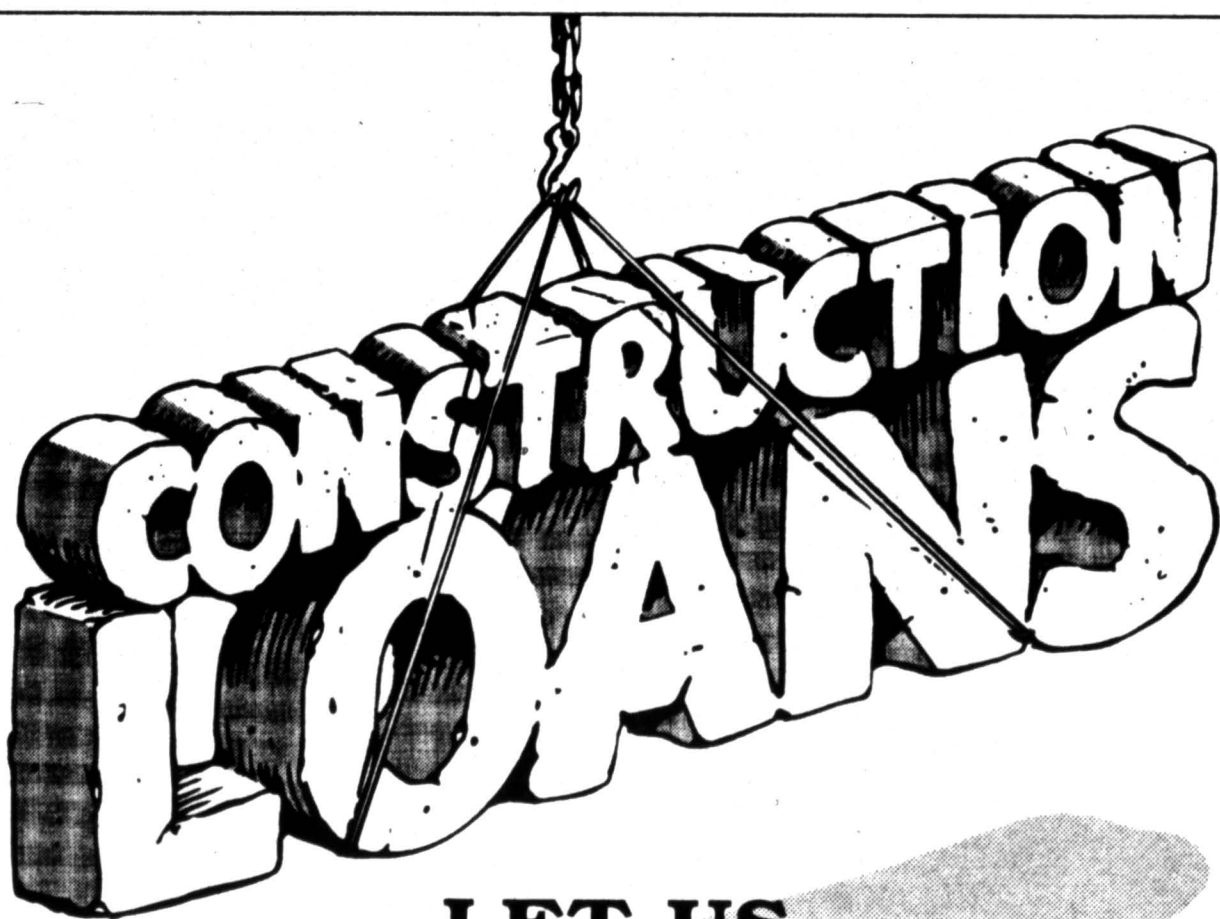
When Joe's brother Leo, a real estate agent, discovered the little board-and-batten cottage for sale, the Tanouses drove down, took one look and, says

Louise, "thought we'd died and gone to heaven." The perfect little cottage would not become their year-round home until 1970.

The house is situated on two lots, as were the four other homes on that same block. Today *three* new houses now stand on what until recently was "the vacant lot" at the corner.

The Tanouses, however, are cheerful, outgoing people, not given to dwelling on what *was*, more interested in what *is*. Their lives revolve around family - three kids and five grandchildren. Joe continues his interest in painting, having retired from teaching art at Monterey Peninsula College. Some of his current work is on display at the Carmel Art Association where he is a member.

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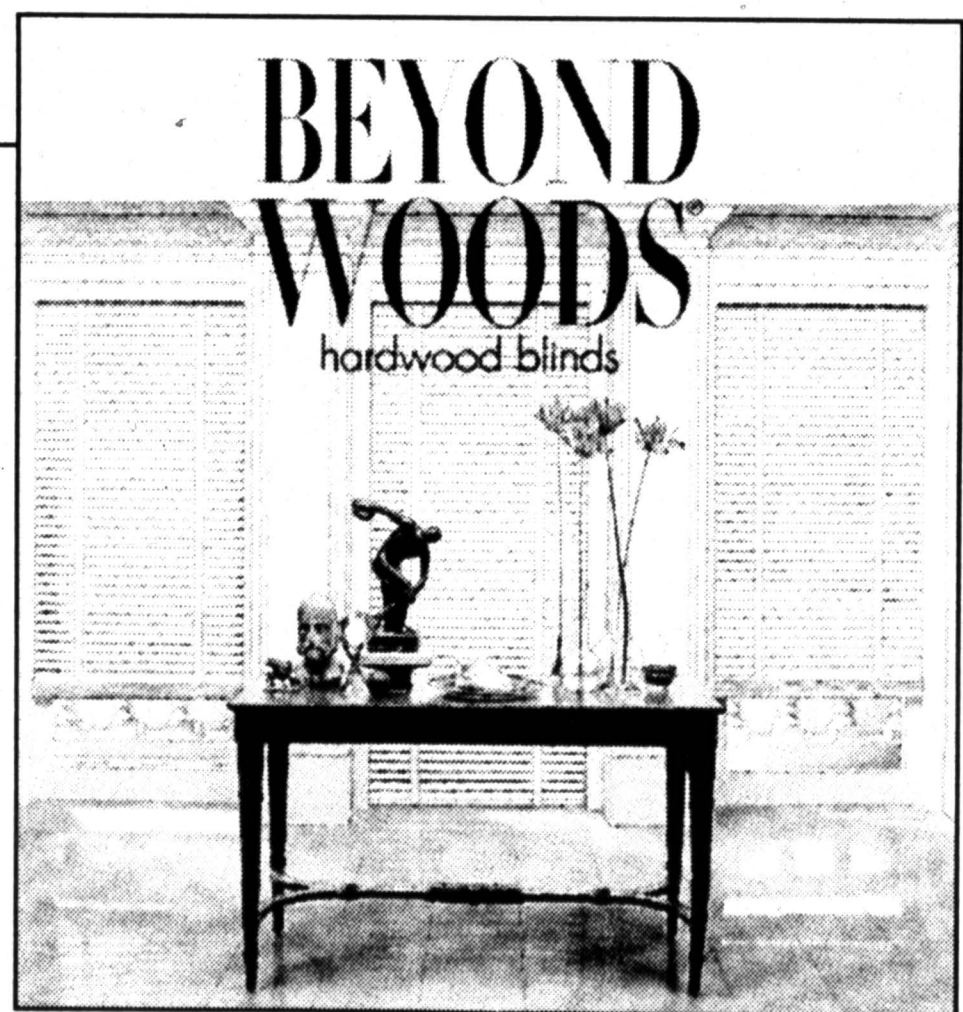


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The Tanous copper collection began with the purchase of one Italian water bucket.

Louise taught at Carmel High School for 20 years. She now volunteers with Friends of the Library, the SPCA thrift shop, the Murphy House, Heritage Society and the Saint Bernards.

The latter was a case of "finding a need and filling it." Realizing that many Carmel residents who are elderly or infirm live next to often-vacant houses, the founders organized a network of thoughtful folks who look in on, and offer support to, their neighbors.

Louise, it's easy to see, is perfectly suited for such activity. She's funny and frank, and when asked what it's like, "living with an artist," says with a twinkle, "It's perfect." Joe, it seems, even cooks. And dusts!

A stroll through the Tanous/Newberry house reveals why dusting is an important activity. These are *collectors*! In the kitchen is an extensive collection of copper cooking utensils begun long ago with the purchase of an Italian water bucket from Butterfield and Butterfield in San Francisco.

The rest of the copper was acquired from friends and garage sales, and includes a large and beautiful kettle once used locally for candy-making.

The other major collection in the kitchen is a bit more esoteric - dozens and dozens of wooden potato mashers. The inspiration for this started with two wooden wine-corkers from Italy (via the Goodwill). These simple kitchen tools with their softly rounded contours suggest sculpture to the artistic eye.

In the small sitting room between kitchen and bedrooms is another interesting wall display. Intricately carved wood panels turn out to be old

samples of elaborate picture-frame patterns from a company where Joe once worked.

The glass top of the coffee table in the same room covers a collection of wooden printer's type in various sizes. The letters of the alphabet, artfully arranged by the man of the house, form an interesting pattern which Joe once incorporated into a commercial design for boxes of Kleenex!

Kitchen is central

Clearly, the kitchen of the original Newberry house, though small, is central to the activities of the Tanous family. On the south side it opens to a large stone terrace overlooking the garden and guest house, a perfect place for outdoor entertaining.

On the north side, past the copper kettles, is the only room added to the house by the Tanouses. It

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PHOTO/COURTESY JOE AND LOUISE TANOUS

House guest "Debbie" takes a garden break with fun-loving Louise and Joe Tanous.

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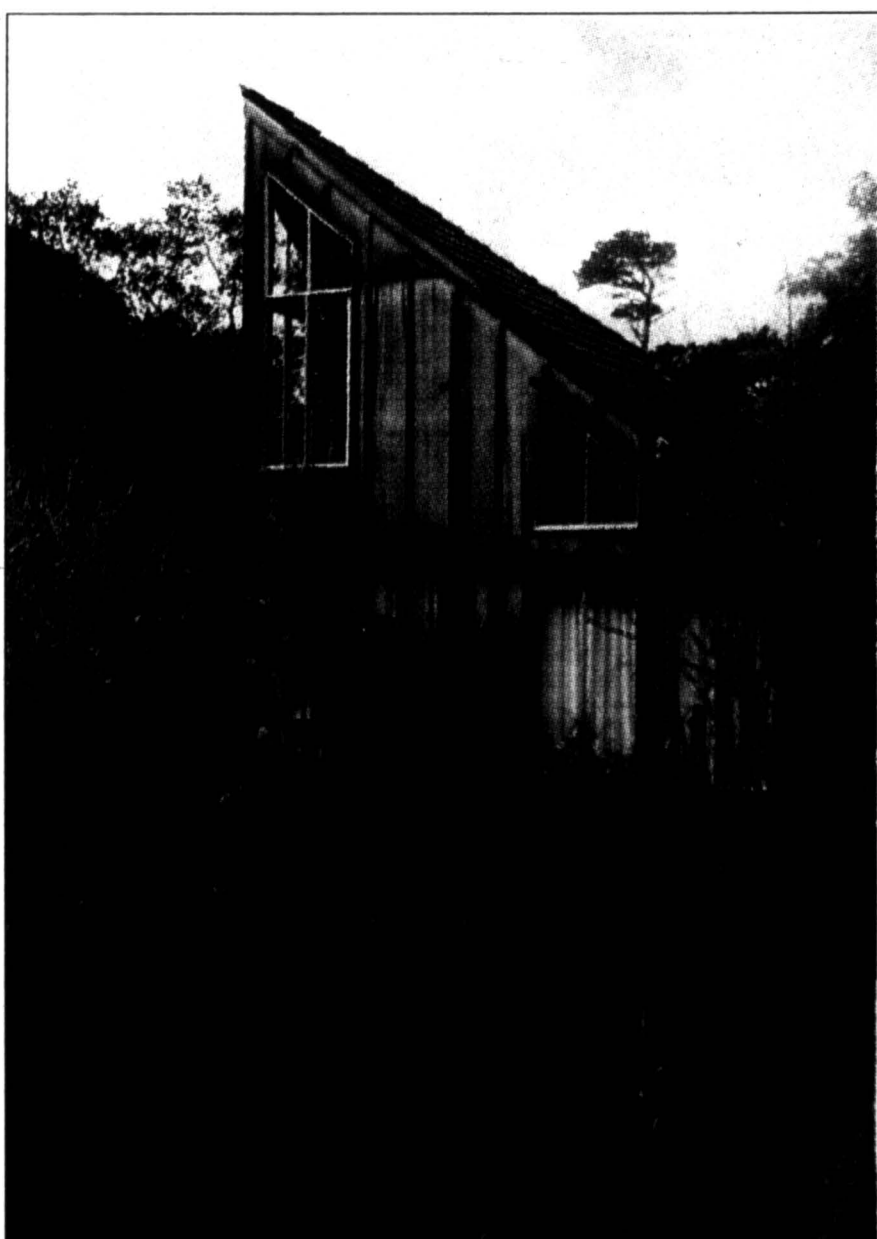
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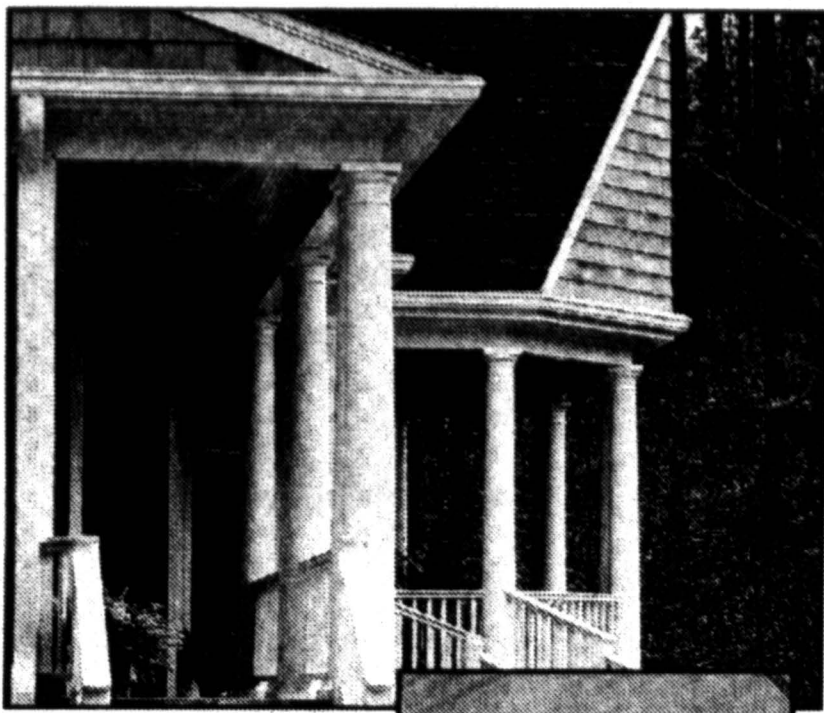


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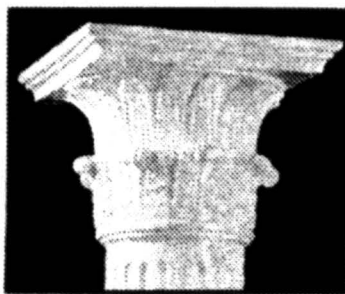
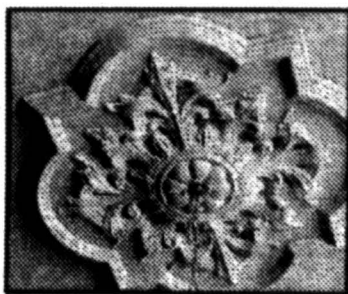
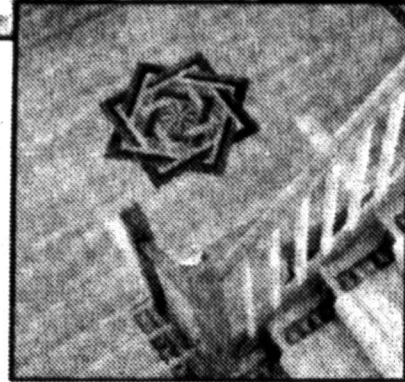
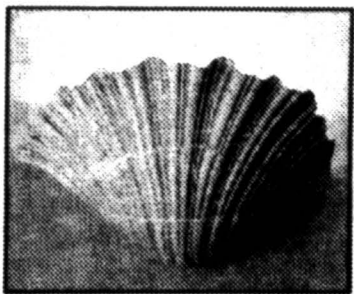


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features a kiva-style fireplace, native American artifacts, a very practical dining table and a door which opens to front-yard greenery.

Louise loves to tell of her first meeting with the architect who designed this room: "He came to the door wearing a serape, no shoes, and carrying a *cantaloupe*!" He looked around and, with great panache, said, "We'll put a window *here* so that the morning sunlight will hit your shoulders."

That sounded good to the Tanouses, and the result is one of those almost seamless additions.

The living room is perfection — white walls, white open-beamed ceiling, and white cotton café curtains. Two cozy love seats upholstered in white-and-gray pillow-ticking form a conversation area in front of the white stone fireplace. Once again, a Tanous collection sets the room apart — a display of Samoan carvings and spears at ceiling level. Joe's wonderful paintings add the major spark of color.

The master bedroom, similar in mood, is white, high-ceilinged, with simple blue and white striped curtains and a touch of pink here and there. Missing this day was the not-to-be-overlooked and hard-to-ignore decorator item that was present on this writer's first peek at the bedroom — a life-size, fully dressed mannequin Joe and Louise affectionately call "Debbie."

"We put her in the garage today," grins Louise.

Salvaged from a local department store when style in mannequins changed from life-like to stylized, the blonde Debbie has been a house

guest for a number of years. Unlike many house guests, she is quiet, undemanding and always attractively dressed.

She is also a tip-off that the Tanouses are just a little bit, shall we say, *different*?

The other guests

The second bedroom, where more traditional visitors sleep, is as relaxed and unpretentious as the hosts. However, sleeplessness might be induced by Joe's large and colorful abstract painting which hangs just above the bed.

"Does it have a name?" he is asked.

Not that he can recall.

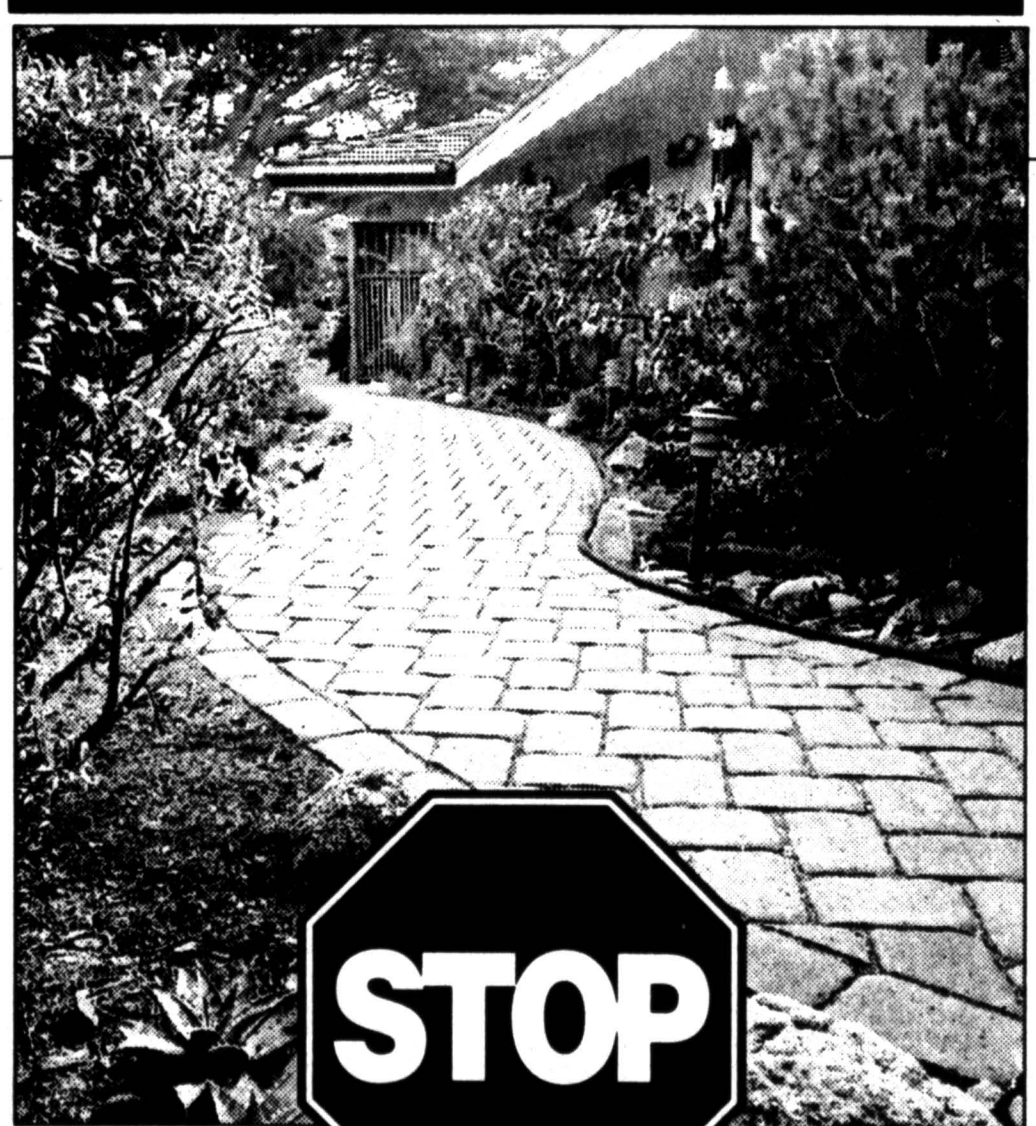
A stroll around the exterior of the Newberry/Tanous house is a reminder of how things were built "in the old days." No manufactured rock here. The gray granite was among the last to be quarried at the site of the Carmelite Monastery. The board-and-batten siding is redwood. The roof of heavy cedar shakes, now 25 years old and gloriously mossy, is a lovely shade of verdigris.

The garden, says Joe, is "natural." Translated by Louise, this means: Joe is not keen on gardening. Fortunately, in Carmel where everything grows so abundantly, it's pretty easy to be a laid-back gardener.

One stone path wanders to the small garage, its claim to fame being that it was built by the renowned Hugh Comstock at a cost of \$100. Comstock, as you may recall, also built the Tuck Box and a number of Carmel's elfin cottages.

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Another path leads to the guest



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cottage at the rear, a rather startling departure from the rest of the property with its strong angular shape. Built in 1975, it served as an extra bedroom for a growing family, but currently houses much of Joe's painting inventory.

The permit process in 1975 was a good deal less intricate than it is now. Only one permit was needed. Gunnar Norberg, mayor at the time, told the City Council the Tanouses could build another whole house if they wanted to: "They've got two lots!"

Selling off the second lot to make a wad of money will never be a concern for Louise. "The house is built across the property line," she laughs.

That casual approach was one of the charms of

Carmel back then, says Louise. "The town was funky, 'shabby chic' before the phrase was invented. Now it's filling up with millionaires' homes that stand empty much of the time."

"We used to know everyone," says Louise wistfully, "but not anymore."

She and Joe still love the ocean, the trees, the beauty of the setting, but feel the "smallness" of Carmel is gone.

One can't help but wonder: Where is Perry Newberry and his wall-building crowd when you need them? ☹



Samoan carvings and a baby grand set the Tanous living room apart.

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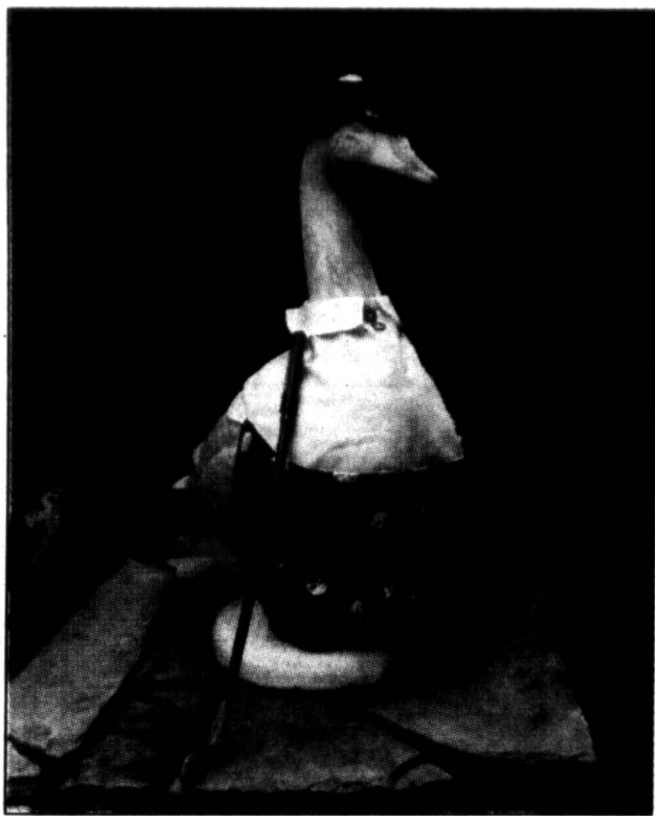
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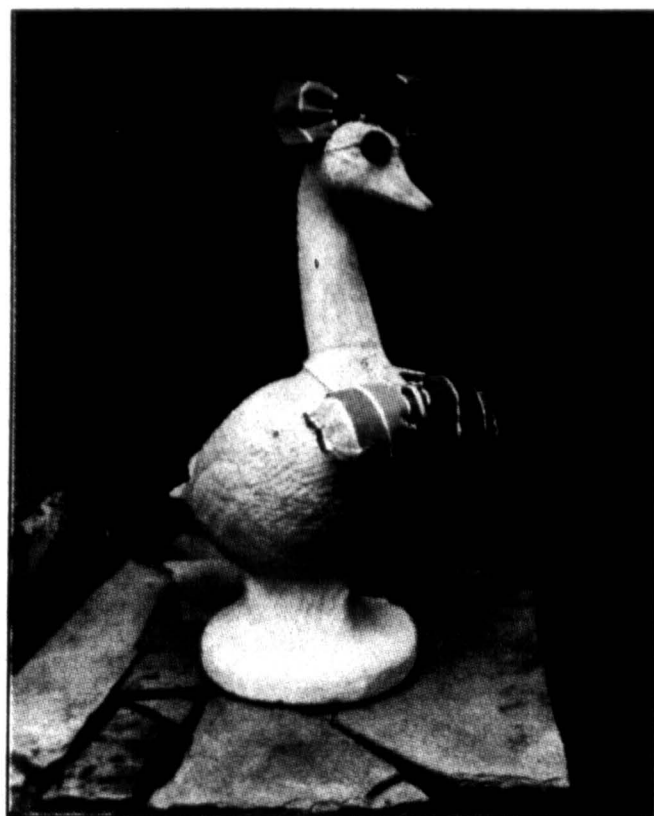
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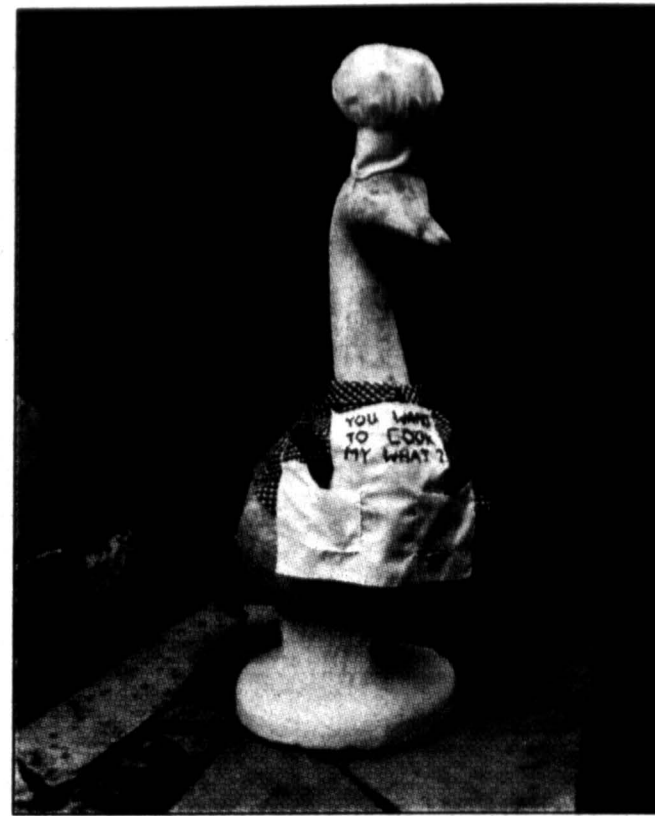
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Nattily attired Carmella has secret admirers

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Some Carmel joggers and walkers purposely pass by the "Dis-I-do" house on Dolores between 10th and 11th avenues,



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anticipating the latest fashion show put on by Carmella Sahli.

Carmella, a 75-lb. poured concrete goose, who heralds all holidays and special occasions attired in themed outfits made especially for her, is worth rerouting an outing to see.

The door-step "pet" of Rose and Patrick Sahli, Carmella has, in her fashion wardrobe, some 35 outfits imported all the way from Oregon, arriving at the Carmel post office in boxes addressed to "Carmella, the best-dressed goose in town."

For Christmas, Carmella has four outfits which she wears alternately: A Rudolf the red-nosed reindeer number, angel attire and costumes designed both as Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus — leading passersby to wonder about Carmella's gender orientation.

On Thanksgiving, she's a lady pilgrim; a pumpkin with a green stem hat on Halloween; an Irish colleen on St. Patrick's Day; a romantic red and white vision on St. Valentine's Day and a fashion plate on Easter, with flowered bonnet and dress.

Holidays aside, Carmella gets dressed up in other generic outfits including, but certainly not limited to, a Hawaii luau number; a cook's toque and apron with "You're cooking my what?" embroidered across it; a lacy wedding gown with matching veil and pearl necklace, and a floozy cowgirl costume of satin and lace. Oh, and we mustn't forget the golf wear, complemented with a putter just Carmella's size.

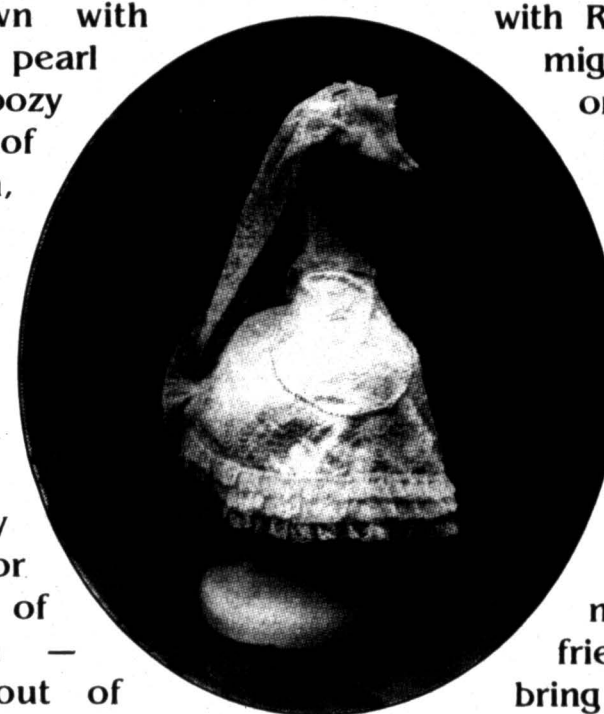
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When Carmella came to live with Rose and Patrick, she migrated south — not in one long flight, but in stages — and by car. Seventy-five pounds of cement goose can cost a pretty penny to ship, so the Sahlis arranged for Carmella's passage to California by car, through friends who were coming south incrementally. It took three friends on three trips to bring her finally to her new home in Carmel.

Those who are enamored of Carmella can order a look-alike and select from the outfit menu by contacting Dannen at (503) 625-1173. ☺



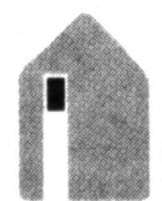
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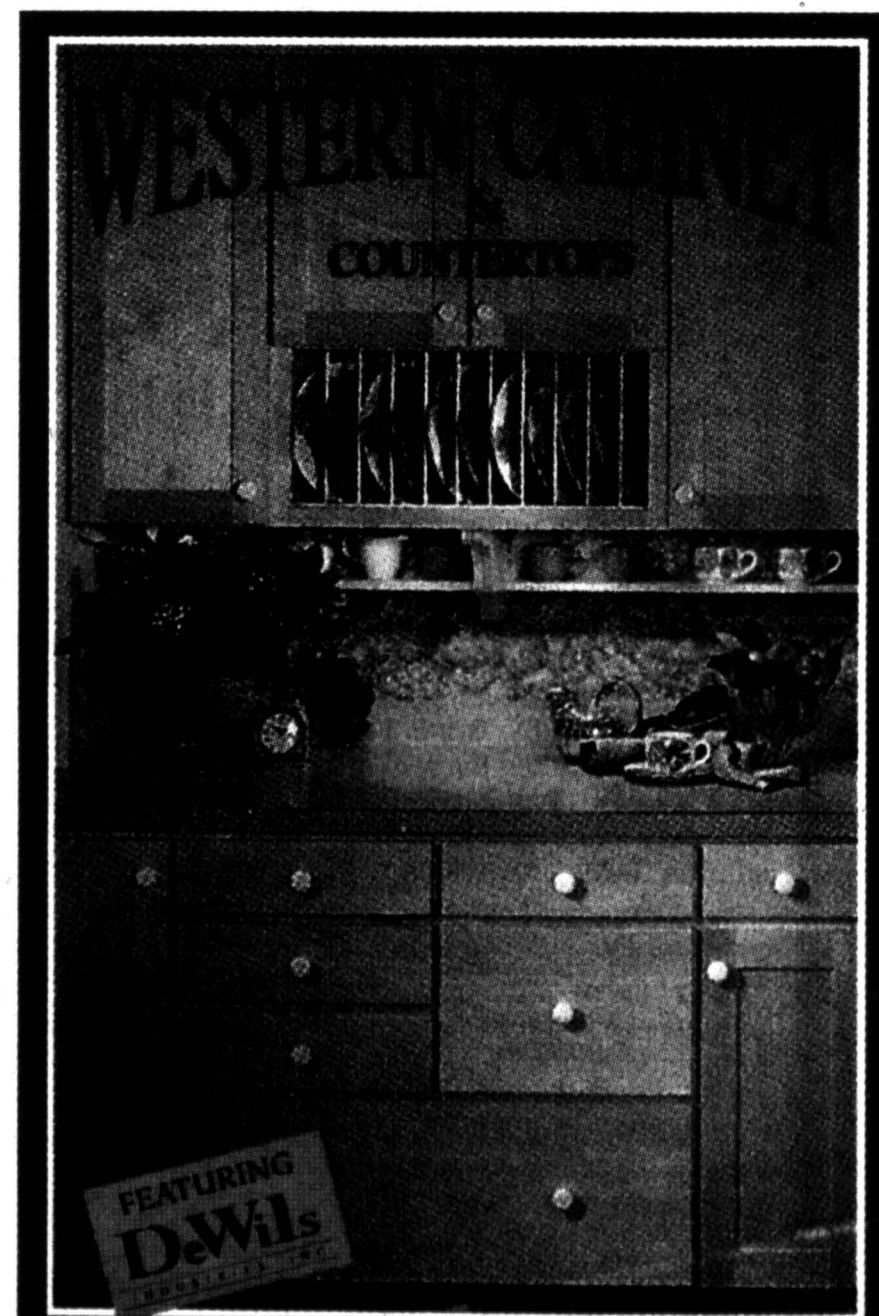
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Rose Sahli enjoys dressing Carmella in attire appropriate to the season, or in just fun costumes all year round. Let it be known that fashionably correct Carmella never wears white after Labor Day, unless it's her lacy white bridal gown.

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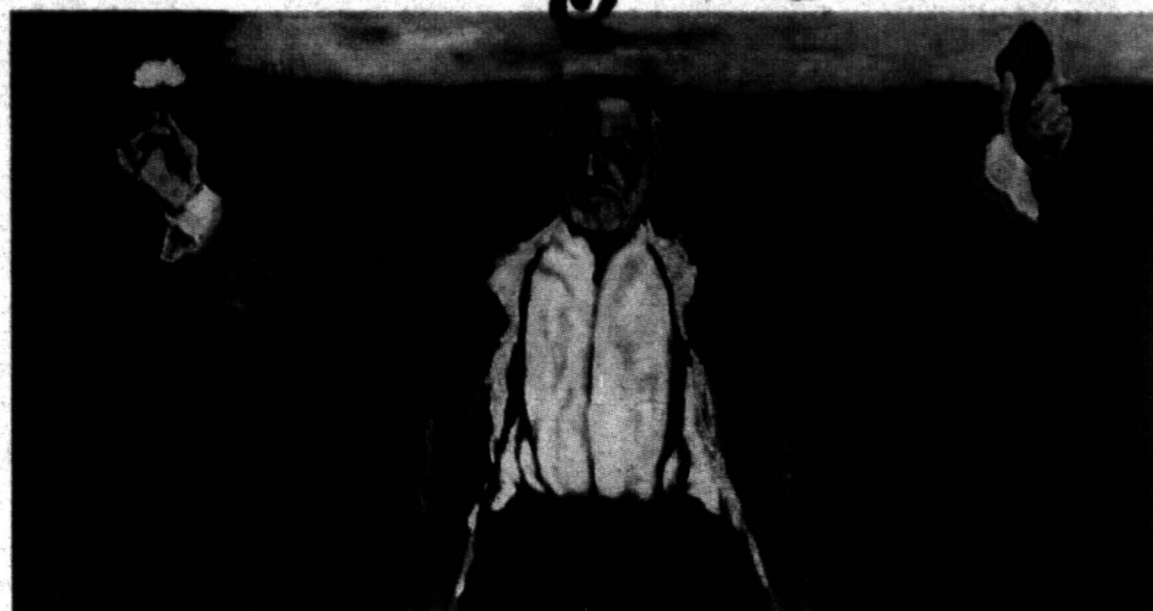


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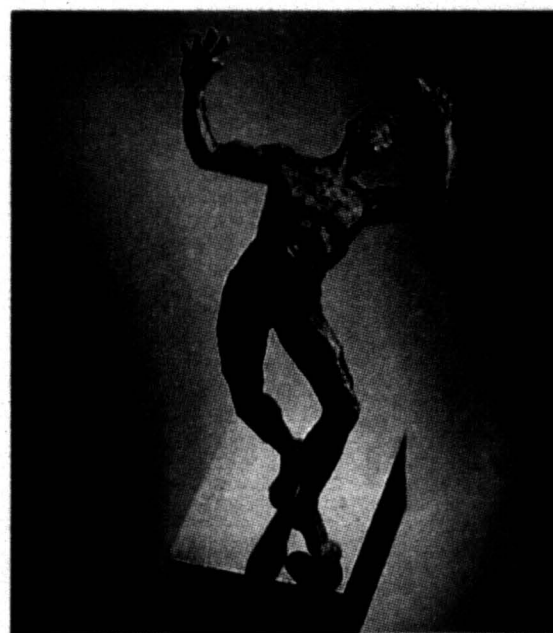
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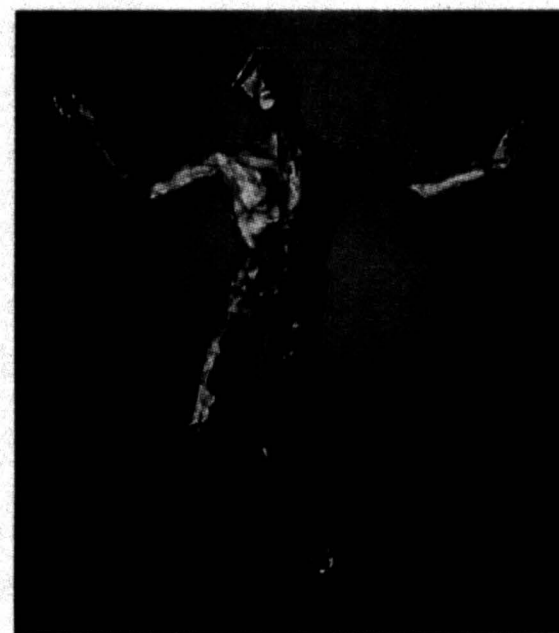
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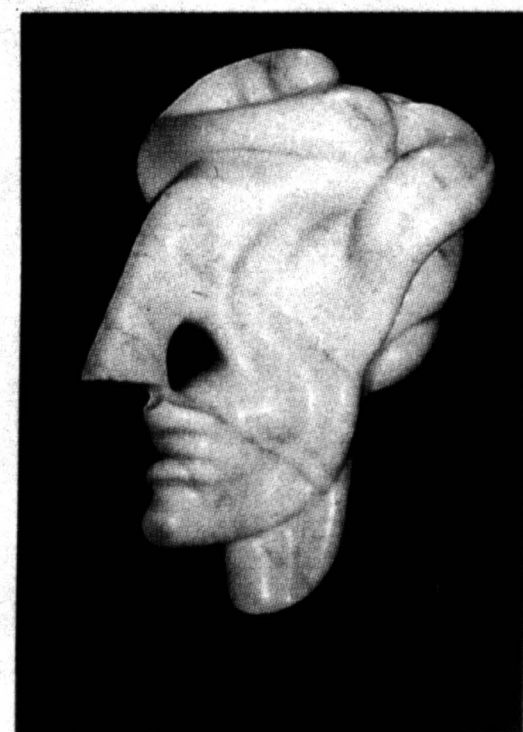
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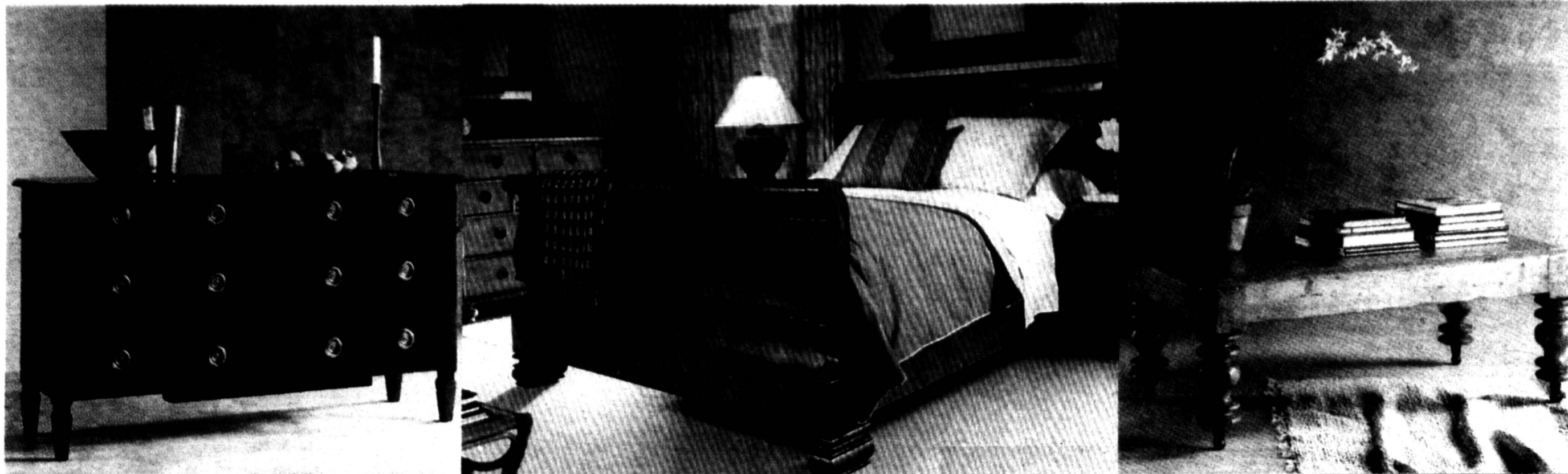
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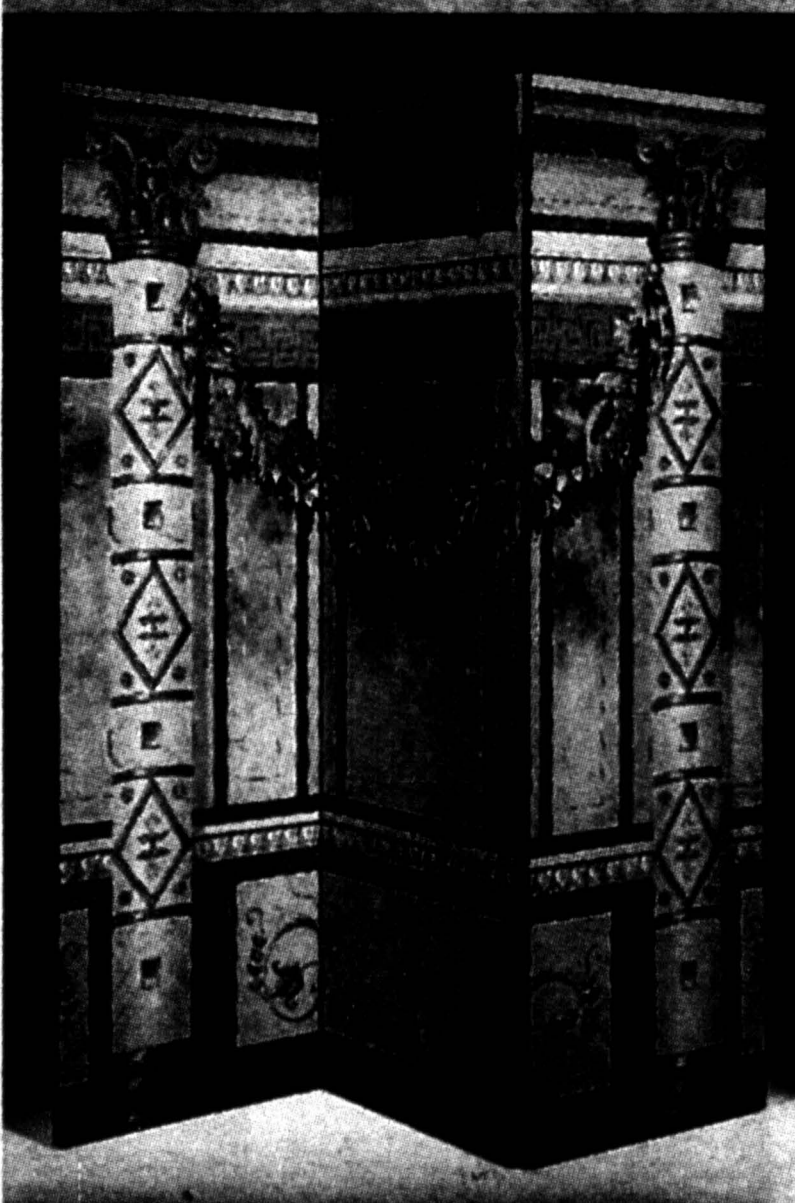


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The carving of stone punctuate the Victorian architecture of the Victorian era. Nancy Barelles traces their

history. The Italian mason who carved a 1000 chimney when he was hired in 1918 to carve stone for the baronial Crocker Mansion then under construction on the 17 Mile Drive. Eighty-two years later, Marotta's great-grandson continues the family legacy, embellishing exceptional homes around the Monterey Peninsula with block and brick work. With a craftsman's finesse, he and his staff construct waterfalls that rival those of nature. They design and build with lavish expenses of chalk rock native to Carmel and golden granite harvested from the quarry in Pebble Beach.

"Building with stone makes a stronger statement than building with wood," believes Jamey DeMaria, owner of DeMaria Masonry. Jamey is a great-grandson of the elder Marotta, who founded this dynasty of masonry experts. "What we build stands for a long time. I can drive around the Monterey Peninsula and see work my family has done going back many decades."

In 1918, Marotta sent for his sons to follow him from Italy. Father and sons continued work on the Crocker mansion and also contributed to another spectacular residence-in-progress, William Randolph Hearst's castle at San Simeon.

Jamey's four grandsons were the DeMaria brothers, all of whom established their own masonry businesses here. As it was for those four, Jamey DeMaria and his three brothers continued the family tradition. But only after they completed their education began as school boys over summer breaks from school.

"We would start around the sixth grade," Jamey explained. "We all worked for the different uncles, and learned different aspects of the trade. You'd get a well-rounded experience in how to lay stone. I worked mostly with my uncle Angelo DeMaria, who is 85 and still an active masonry contractor."

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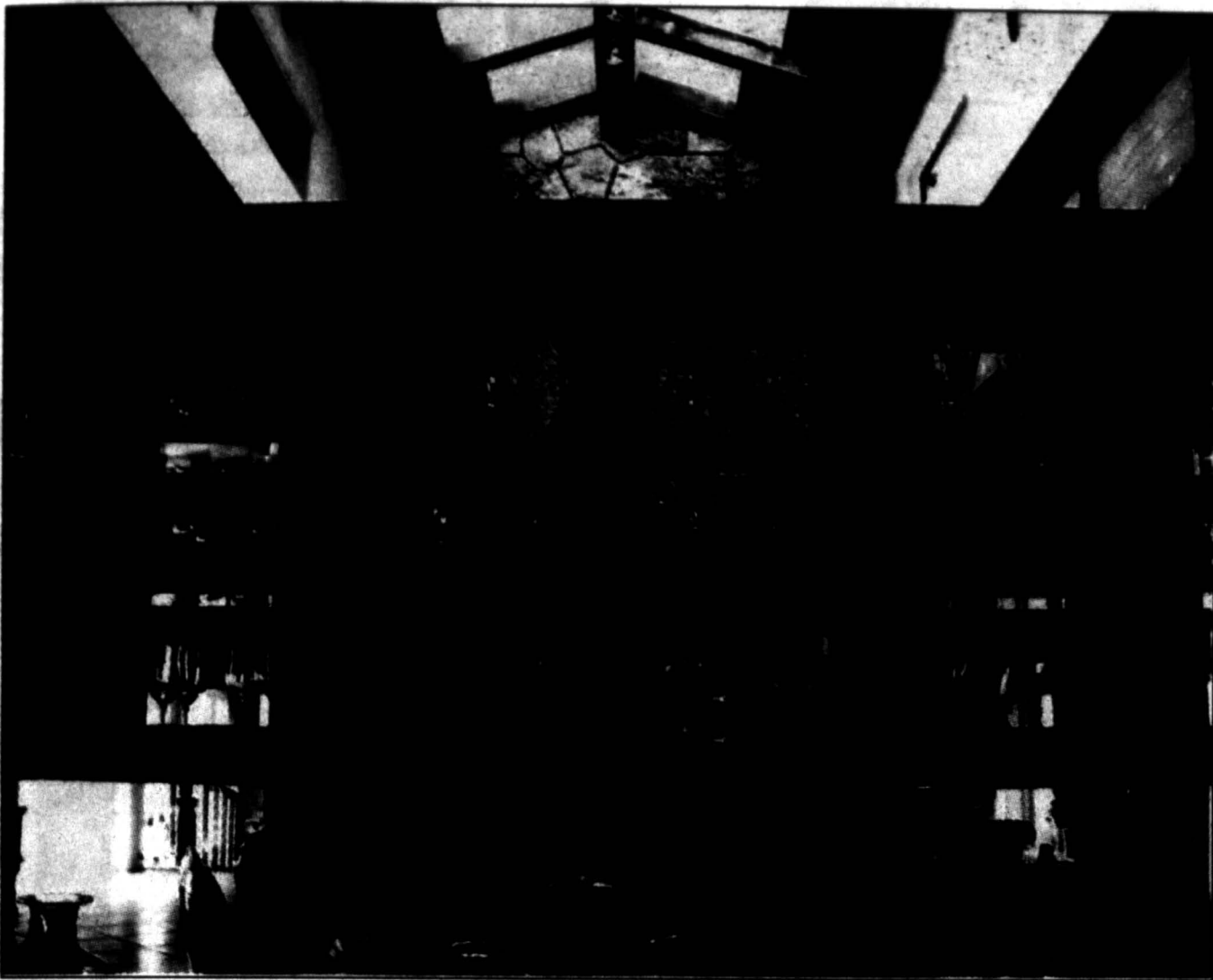
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A stirring view of the Pacific from the front door of the Victorine Ranch home of Steve and Nancy Bareilles.

Locally quarried golden granite was installed by the ton in the fireplace that faces two rooms.



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A glass-sided cabinet shows off a stemware collection handsomely.

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One local home that serves as a showcase for Jamey DeMaria's masonry is Victorine Ranch. Located on a former dairy ranch south of Malpaso Creek, the house was built in 1991. It makes extensive use of golden granite, both on its façade and in the encircling patios.

"This is a large project," DeMaria recalled with considerable understatement. "The first phase called for 350 tons of stone, quarried at the Pebble Beach quarry and trucked to the jobsite. It took 16 months to

veneer the home in stone, to build three fireplaces and put in stone decking around the swimming pool."

The pool boasts a waterfall that operates at the touch of a switch, but looks as though it just happened naturally, like some mini-Yosemite.

"The trick to laying stone is getting it out of the ground the way we like it," DeMaria added. "We actually go in the quarry and work with the operators. We hand select the stone

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masons and two helpers for the first round of stone work at Victorine. Together the crew installed landscape rocks that weighed more than one ton apiece. The fireplace is woven with a number of rocks that each tip the scales at more than 1,000 pounds. An exterior wall is fitted with another specimen that weighs more than 1,500 pounds.

Working with such massive, unwieldy materials, DeMaria and his crew must stay in shape and remain alert.

"On my wall I have a plaque the insurance company gave me that year for working injury-free," he said with some pride. "Just the fact of moving all that weight can wear on you. But we're all used to it."

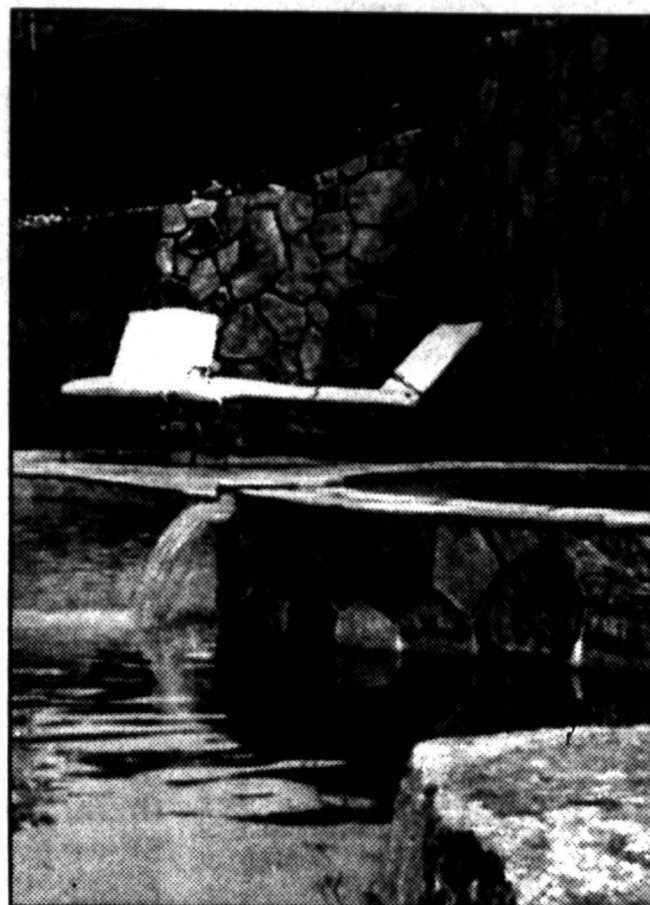
New owners order more

About 18 months ago the home was purchased by Steve and Nancy Bareilles. The couple, both retired from Cisco Systems, hired contractors Stocker and Allaire to totally

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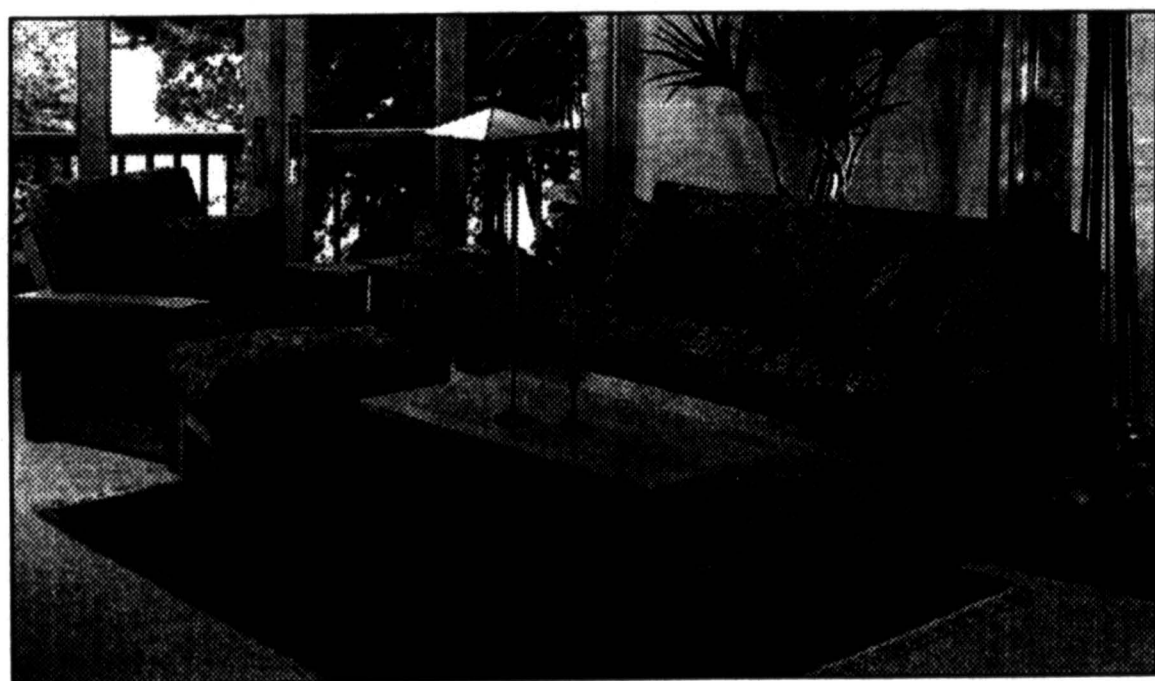
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board to some really creative folks. We listened to them, and they contributed a lot to this house," Steve Bareilles said of his 8,000 square-foot residence.

"Jamey (DeMaria) is a great guy and his crew is right on target. The crew was well-managed and things got done quickly," Bareilles added.

"We quarried and laid 100 tons of stone," DeMaria said of the redesign of the Victorine property. "I had seven masons working with four helpers."

David Stocker, the general contractor, explained, "We literally gutted every inch of the house and started over. We encouraged every contractor and subcontractor on the site, and people responded with their own bits to make it a better house."

Intimacy and warmth

Despite its substantial square footage, the home boasts a surprising warmth and intimacy. Key to its welcoming ambiance are the natural materials carefully installed throughout.

"The floors are doré royal marble and limestone, all honed to be soft, not shiny," observed Stocker. "Technically it's marble, but it's very warm, and there are miles of it."

"The patios are Idaho quartzite. The barbecue and fireplaces are new. We worked to make it feel cozy, not pretentious. We unified the theme of the house, moved rooms around, and reworked the traffic plan."

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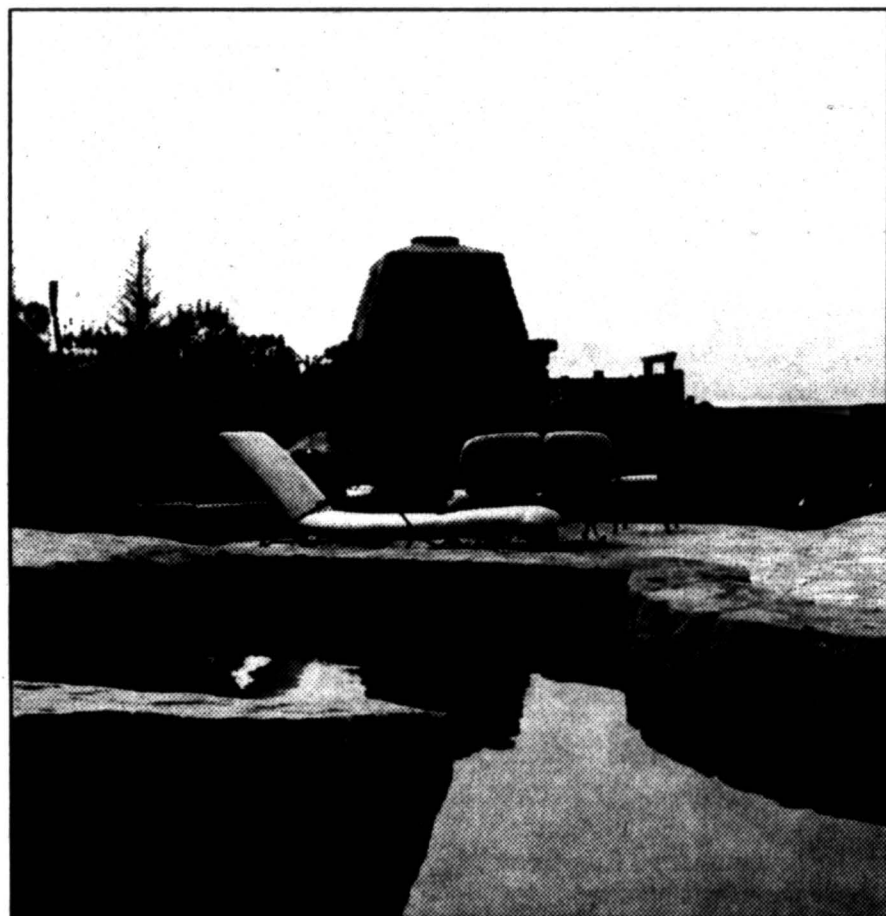
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newly remodeled home, which was the scene of a memorable New Year's Eve party.

"We're social, and this is a nice place for get-togethers with people," said Steve Bareilles. "A common observation is that the house feels comfortable. It's very conducive to entertaining."

So pleased is the couple with the year-plus remodeling, they are still planning refinements to the house, with Jamey DeMaria and Stocker and Allaire on call to handle the upgrades.

"We love the open space, the privacy. Carmel is our base now," Bareilles said.



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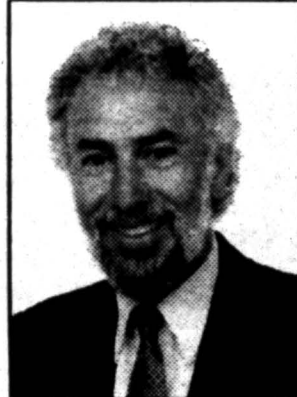
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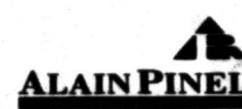


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The Quarry Lady of Pebble Beach

Story and photos
by KIRSTIE WILDE

CHRISTINE ROBINSON absolutely adores rocks. She knows exactly where the exquisite examples of California golden granite are tucked away, but she's not about to reveal her rock stars to just anybody who strolls in.

No, but if you are a customer who shares even a bit of her passion about boulders, she'll reward you with a beauty.

Robinson is the quarry lady of Pebble Beach, the honcho on the gigantic boulder loader whose tires are as tall as she, the guardian of the granite.

She gave The Pine Cone a peek at a gorgeous hunk of rock with a natural fissure that made it look a little like a throne.

"I'm saving this one for a customer who's going to build her bathroom around it. I'm hoping it will be the centerpiece inside her shower. The colors of the granite come alive when they're wet. Wouldn't that look



Christine Robinson is one rockhound who knows where to dig the big ones.

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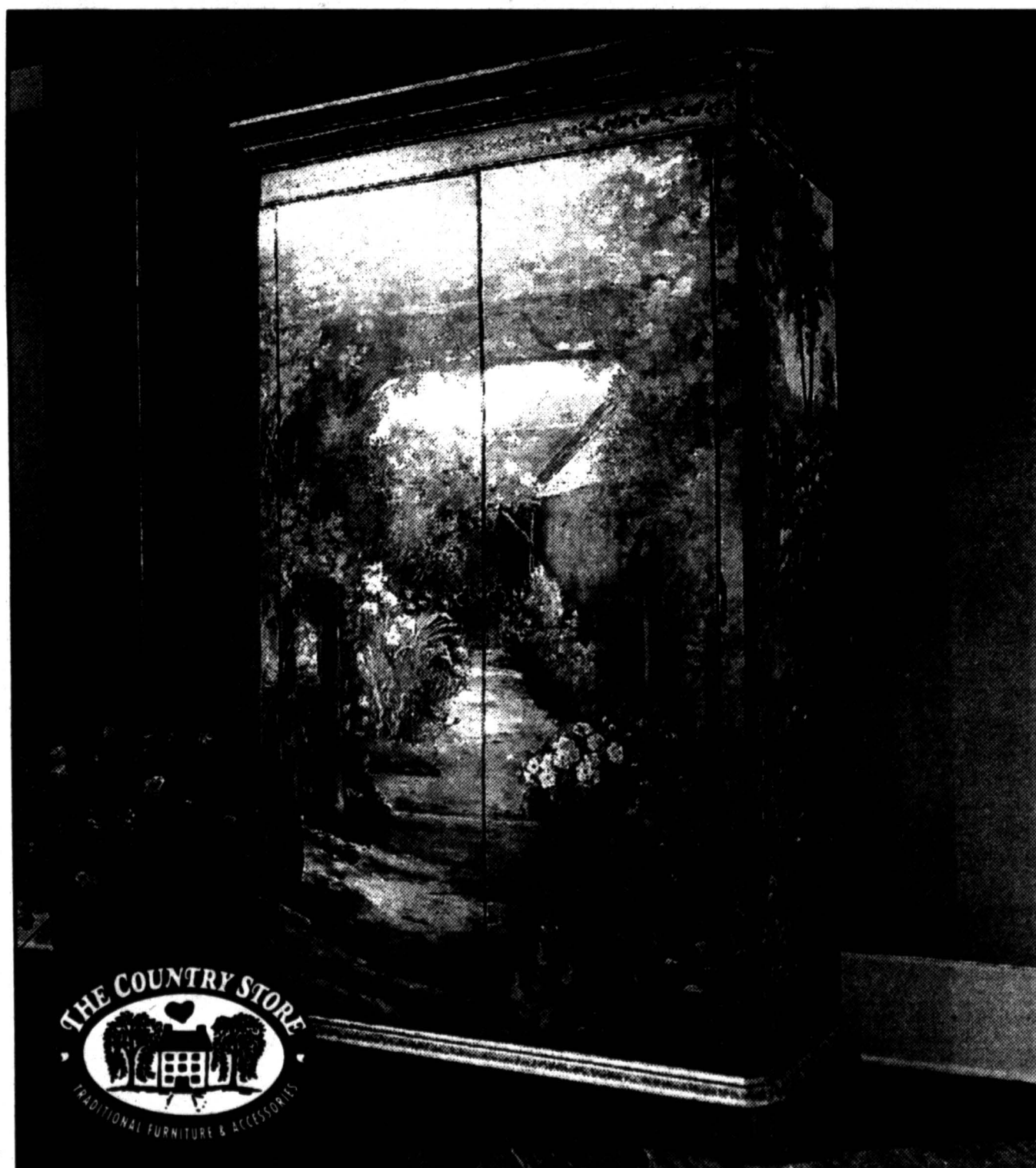


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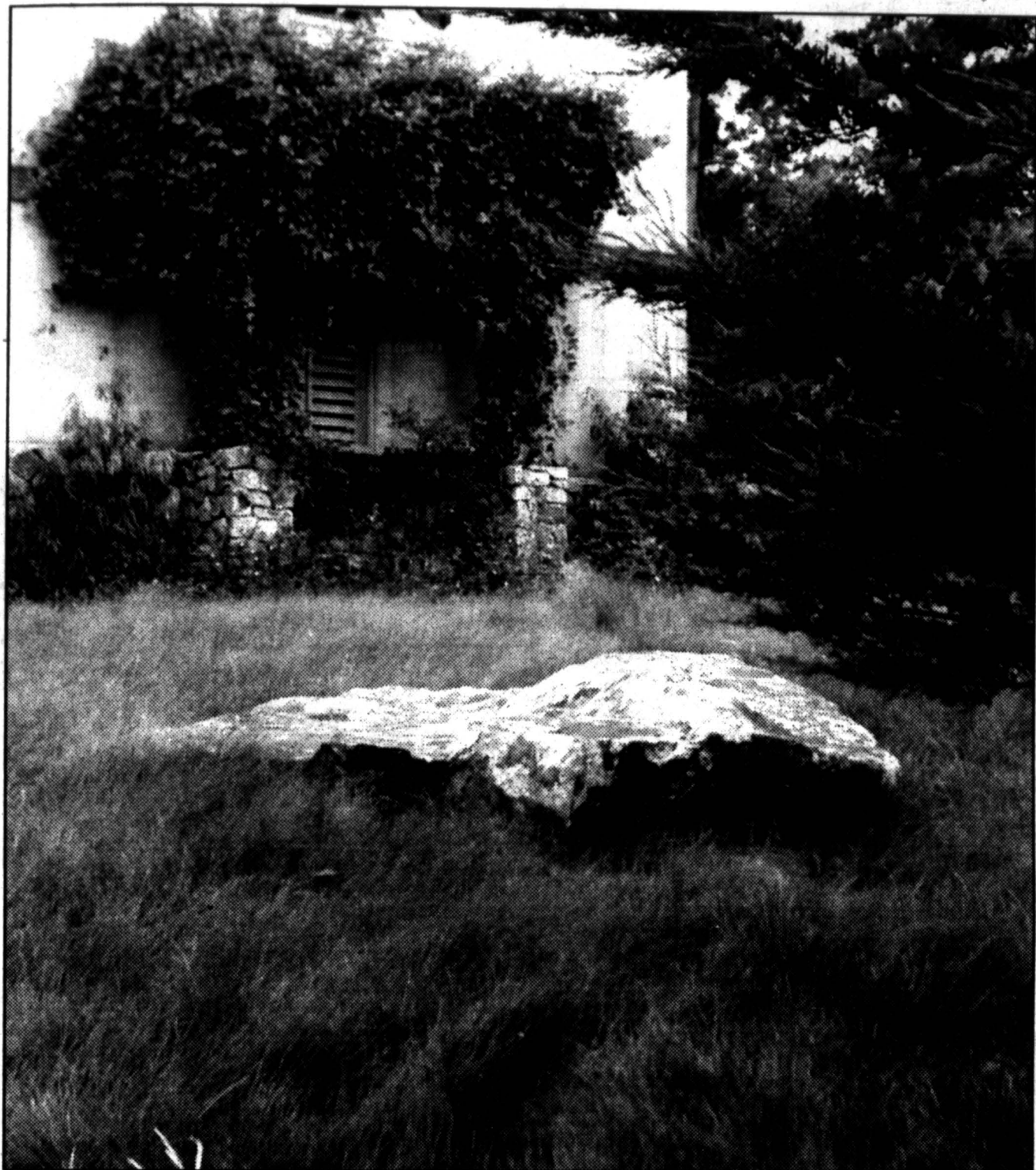
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One of Robinson's babies slumbers in the luxurious grass, beckoning to someone to step through the arbor and rest awhile in the sun.

fantastic?"

Robinson's appreciation of the boulders strewn around the quarry is infectious. A visitor begins to appreciate the granite as a gift from nature — with unlimited design possibilities. She's loaded boulders that became the centerpieces in the gardens of multi-million dollar estates in Pebble Beach, in tiny Japanese gardens in Carmel, at the new ocean-front park in Monterey, and at the Rose Parade.

The Rose Bowl? Come on, who's going to lug a 14,000-pound rock all the way to Pasadena? Don't they have boulders in Southern California?

"We are one of only two quarries that can supply California golden granite," Robinson explains. "I actually UPS samples every week to locations all over California and Nevada

for customers to inspect the unique color. UPS-ing rocks and buckets of dirt — only in Pebble Beach!"

That massive Rose Bowl boulder graces a high-profile corner where the parade floats turn each New Year's day. Robinson gets a kick out of seeing one of her rock babies on television every year.

"The Rose parade rock, all seven tons of it, was hauled to Pasadena. It was so heavy it blew out two tires on the way down south," she said. That boulder, like many of the superlative offspring of the Pebble Beach quarry, was glamorized by painting it with something called "quarry lacquer" which Robinson says brings out the life in the stone. It reveals the inner beauty to those, unlike Tina Robinson, who weren't born to love rocks.

Robinson didn't know that

prospecting for boulders with a front-end loader was going to be her dream job when she went to work for Granite Construction ten years ago. She did know she was desperate. Raising an 8-month-old baby alone, the young mother was surviving on welfare when she started in the

Granite shop at \$6.50 an hour. She had to make at least that much to clear \$100 a month after paying for child care.

"My son motivated me. I needed something that would fit my MO. I grew up a tomboy and playing in the

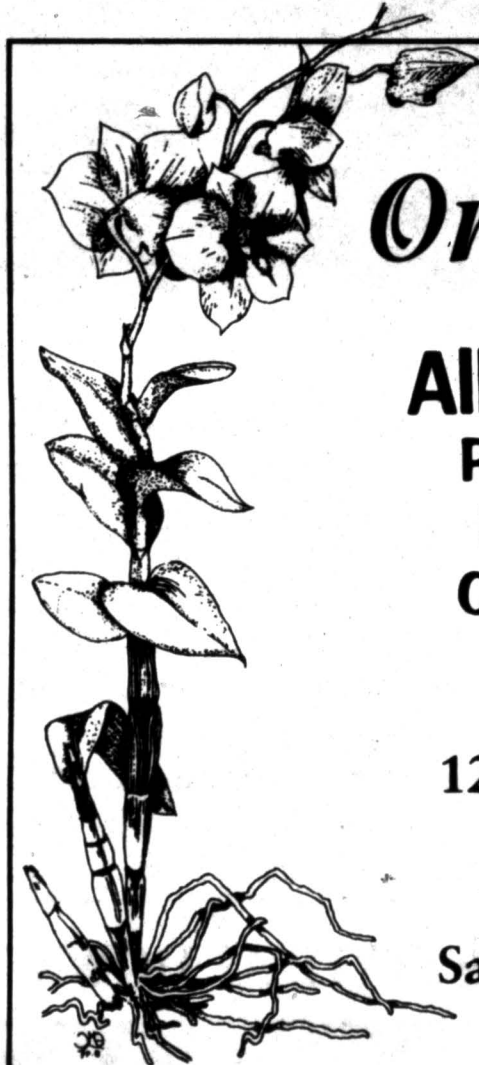
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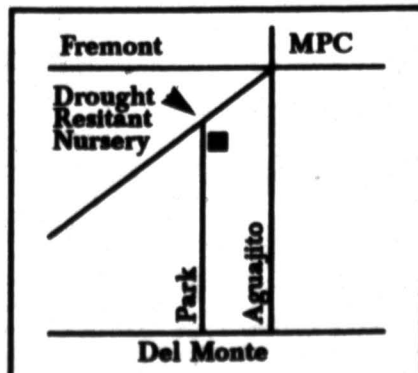
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Robinson has more than 10,000 hours in the seat of the big quarry loader. She learned to control the bucket to tolerances within one-tenth of an inch, the standard required at the Heavy Equipment Training Center in Rancho Murieta where she was trained.

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dirt was my favorite thing to do as a kid," she said.

Robinson worked her way up to assistant dispatcher, then to laborer, then to soils tester. When she became pregnant with her second child, her bosses realized that it wasn't going to be easy to replace her.

So they sprang for a five-week course in operating engineering at the Heavy Equipment Training Center in Rancho Murieta. There she was, with her 9-week old baby, trying not to be intimidated by the power of the gigantic earth-movers she was supposed to harness.

It wasn't long before Robinson convinced her mind that it could

control the machines. Now, after 10,000 hours in the seat of the loader, she can virtually pick up a dime with a bucket she can't even see.

"I know exactly where the corner of my bucket is," she explained. "I've developed a bubble within myself that feels exactly where the cutting edge is even though I can't see it.

From day one I knew this was just My Thing!"

Robinson has learned to operate the earth mover with remarkable precision — to tolerances within a tenth of an inch. Her favorite exercise is to set a boulder in what looks like a precarious position, but which is, in fact, set in stone.

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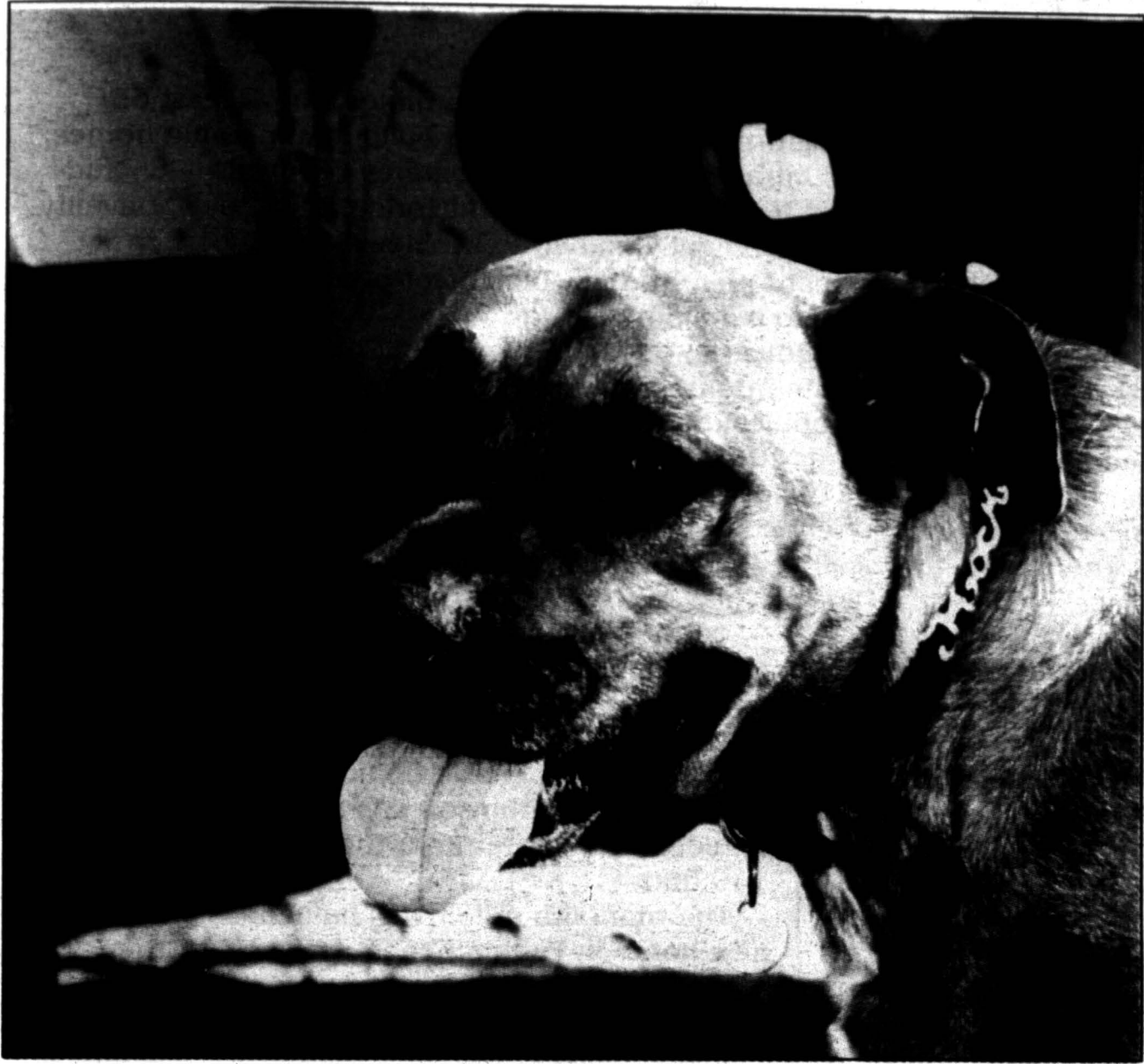
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No junkyard dog is he; Rock's domain is the industrial high-rent district, the quarry at Pebble Beach. When his boss is not mining boulders in the quarry, he watches over her office which commands a million-dollar view of Del Monte Forest, Pebble Beach and the blue sea.

Robinson toils when she's not out in the quarry pretending to work, has a gorgeous panoramic view of Del Monte Forest, the pebbly beach and Pacific ocean beyond. There probably isn't an industrial job in the world with more beautiful surroundings.

The manager of this little piece of heaven is quick to credit her boss, Robbie McDonald, with entrusting her to run the operation. She marvels at the change Granite and granite have made in her life: from barely

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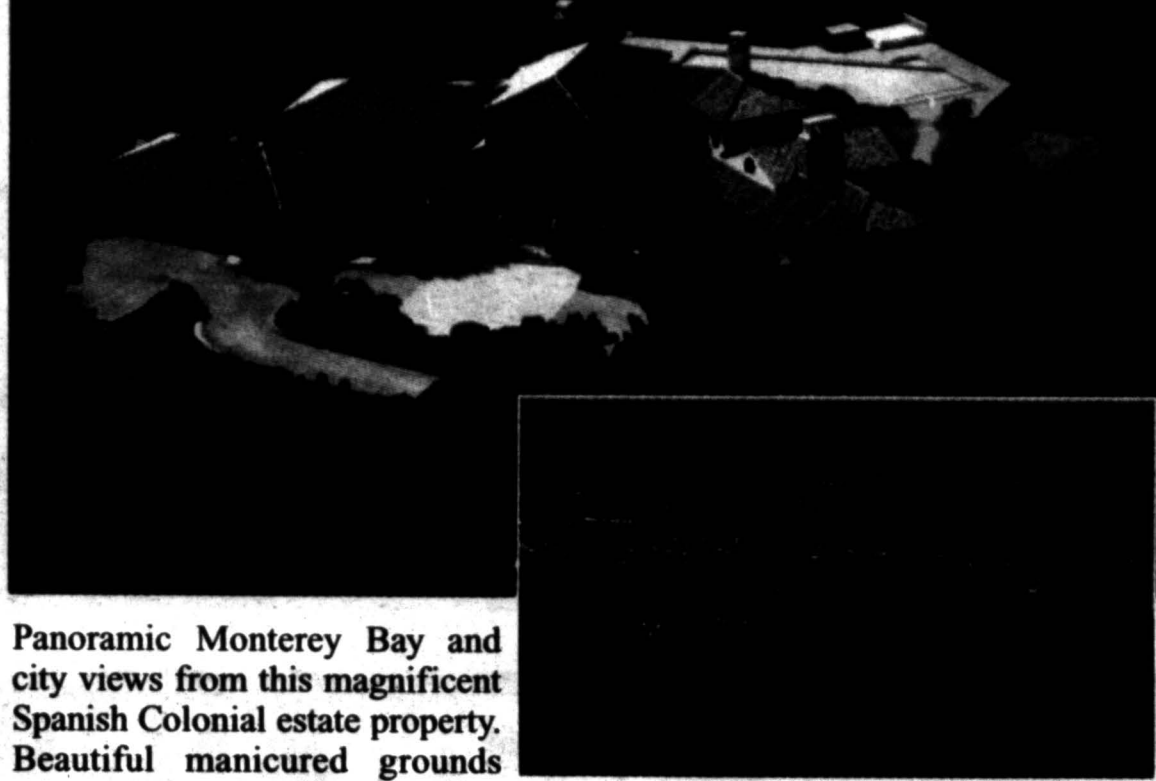
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Almost quarried out

THE PEBBLE BEACH quarry, which has been mined for at least 55 years, has provided California golden granite to build innumerable homes, hotels, businesses and infrastructure on the Monterey Peninsula — including the tunnel that links New Monterey to the historic part of town. Seventy five tons of boulders were recently hauled to the new San Carlos Beach park near the Coast Guard pier. And Skyline Forest just redesigned its entry on Holman Highway using a granite gateway.

But the days of this industrial oddity in the middle of some of the priciest residential real estate in America are numbered. Granite Construction has reached the geographical boundaries allowed for mining at the quarry and its lease runs out in 2003. The Pebble Beach Co. has plans to convert the big rock pit into a residential area some day, and why not? It has a spectacular view of the ocean and the Del Monte Forest.

The market for locally mined granite has exploded in the past few years.

While a 3-ton boulder could be bought for only \$100 four years ago, it now will set you back \$600. The cost of trucking the rock to its destination and setting it by crane can multiply that figure.

The most expensive hunk of granite quarry manager Tina Robinson can recall was a 10-ton boulder. The entire order that included it ran \$40,000.

The monolith at left was hauled last year to a new home in Pebble Beach designed by the renowned Cesar Pelli. It serves as a street-side title for Pelli's architectural art work beyond. ☼

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scraping by in a life of public assistance to a job she loves and a salary that lets her live comfortably. On many days she can punch out at noon to play with her two sons.

And she loves to dream about the house she and husband Bob (whom she met at Granite) will build some day with the fruits of her prospecting at the quarry. She's got an impressive collection of white dolomite boulders that she's put aside; they're not for sale.

"I've been so fortunate. I got the job, got the promotion, got the husband . . . and some day I'll have a house in the country with a LOT of rocks!" ☼

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Michelle Comeau doesn't use boulders lightly

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

MOVING THE mountain (or at least part of it) to Mohammed is a prime function of Michelle Comeau's Landscape Design and Installation firm which finds her searching for just the right boulders and rocks in quarries and mountains for transport to clients' gardens.

Comeau has a love for boulders — both for climbing and for aesthetic placement in natural landscapes she designs and installs with native plant materials. Choosing boulders and rocks from the Pebble Beach quarry and from the foothills of the Sierra in Stanislaus County, Comeau keeps in mind exactly where she'll have those she's selected placed back at her

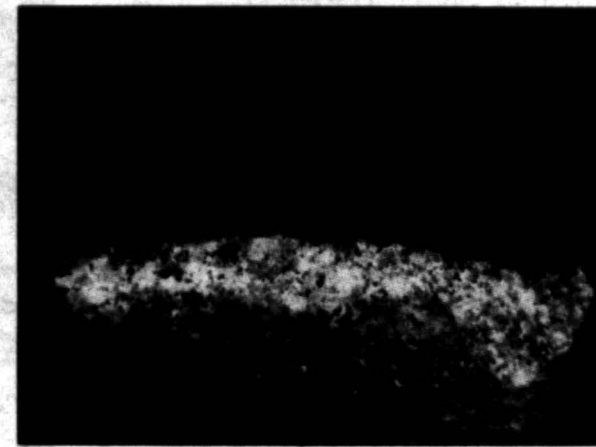
clients' properties.

"The granite boulders in the foothills are a beautiful aged gray, covered with lichen and moss, and they just work so beautifully with California oaks and pines and native landscaping," Comeau said, pointing out that the Sierra boulders are similar to granite ones found here on the Monterey Peninsula — but in greater profusion.

Her landscaping ideas and inspiration come from walking the hills in Garland Ranch Park in Carmel Valley.

"They're currently blooming," she said, referring to boulders and rocks festooned with algae "bloom."

Photos by Kirstie Wilde
and Margot Petit Nichols



California golden granite is used artfully in the Comeau landscapes. Its color actually runs from white to nearly black, and all shades of brown in between.

When Comeau selects a rock or boulder at the Pebble Beach quarry, she marks it with a plastic irrigation flag or with bright colored plastic surveyor tape. "I use pink or purple," she said, "and all of my tools are marked with purple, too," so they're easily spotted in garden terrain.

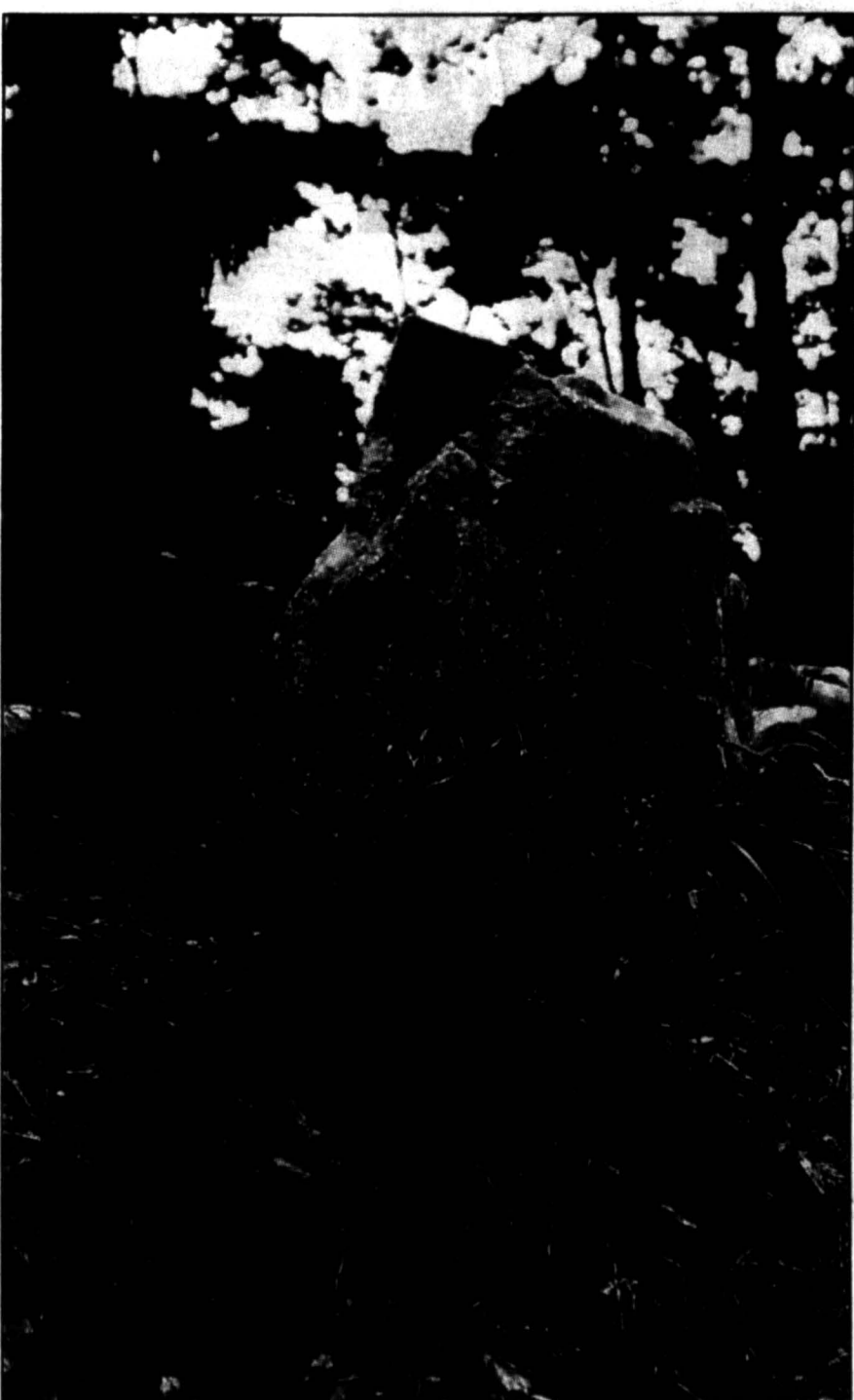
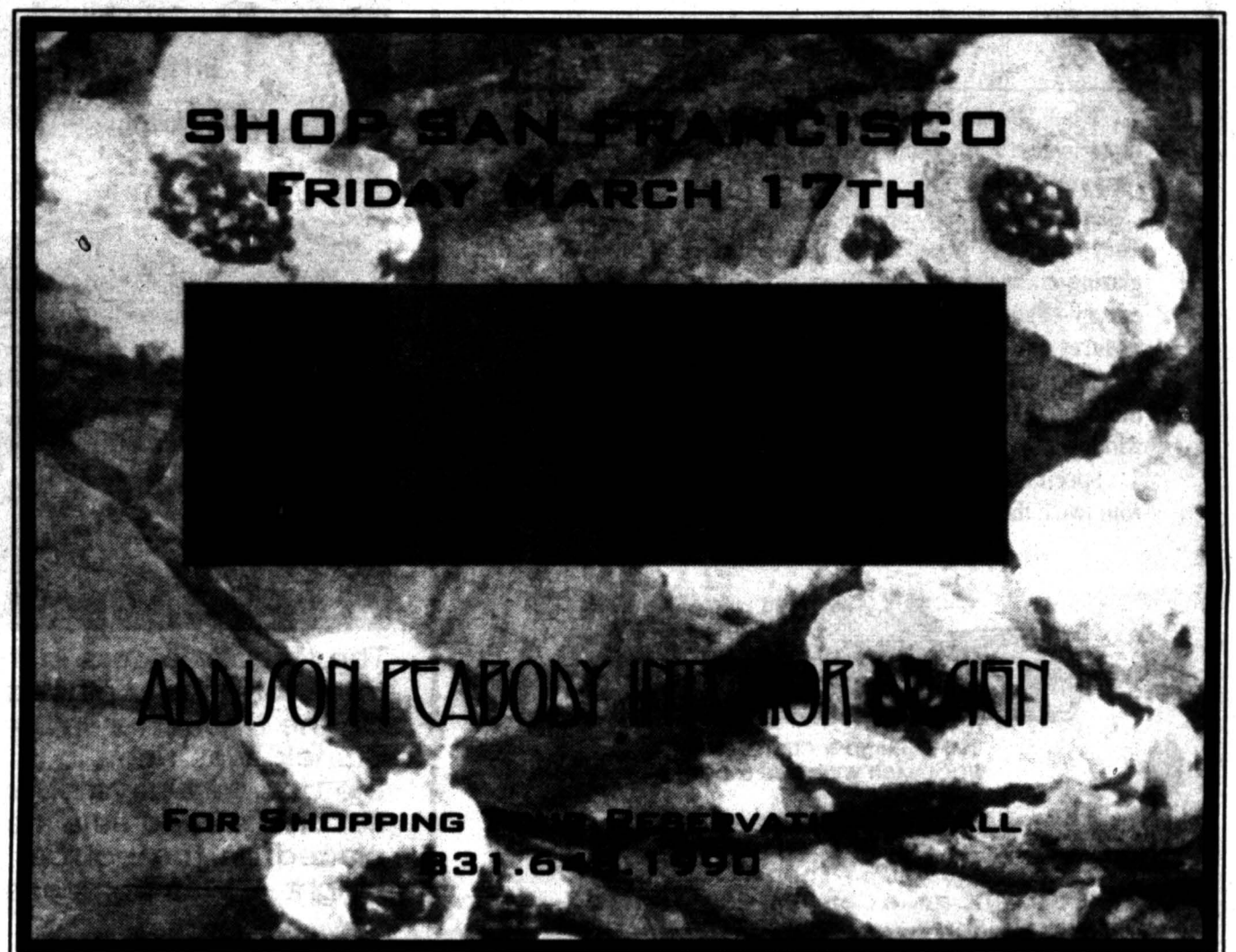
Bedding the boulder

The next step is to have the boulder moved to her client's garden site and placed just so. A boom-mounted crane lifts the boulder onto a truck

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Algae and moss cover the boulder Michelle Comeau sits on in a Pebble Beach garden she created. Delicate Zebra grasses (*Miscanthus Zebrinus*) filigree the landscape that looks as natural as if she had come upon it on a nature hike — but Comeau transported the boulders and rocks and placed them before installing plant materials. She created a rill from a dry creek bed.



A purple wallflower (*Chieranthus*) in bloom is framed against granite boulders selected for just this spot on Macomber Estates in Pebble Beach.

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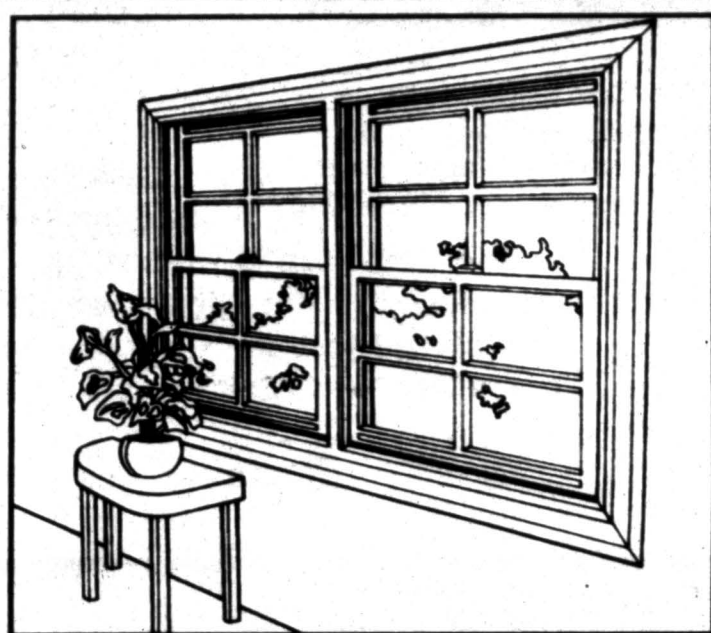
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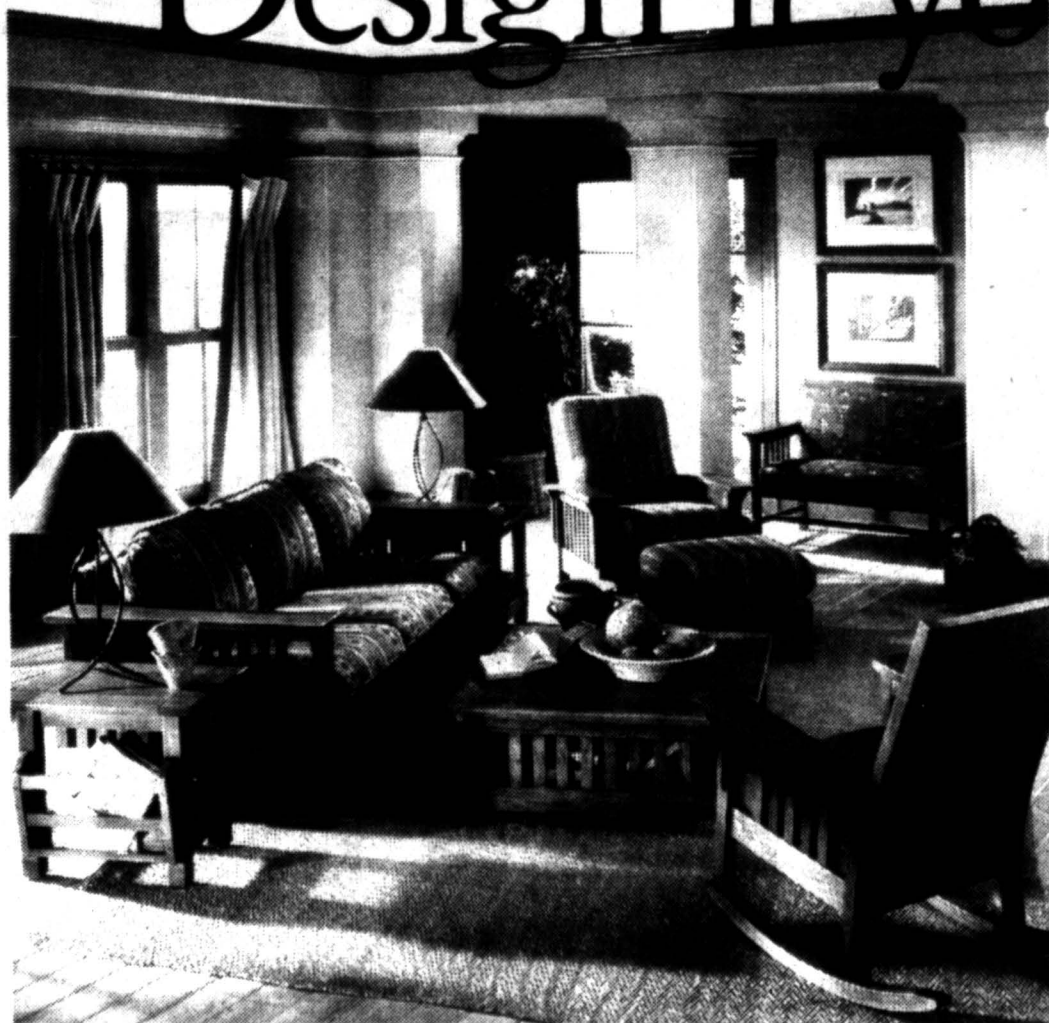
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The three boulders in the foreground of this Japanese garden in Carmel-by-the-Sea were selected, transported and placed by Comeau. They represent islands in a sea of black river stones that encircle the traditional Japanese basin. The carved stone basin, imported from Japan by Irene and Frank Stanek, was used in its native country for hand-washing before entering a home or tea house, and the boulders have been placed strategically around it. The boulder on the left is the towel rest; the flat one is used as a standing platform while scooping water from the basin into a bowl which is then placed on the boulder to the right. The ancient Edo Katsura-style stone lantern — about 6-ft. in height — was purchased by the Staneks in Nara, Japan from a master gardener's collection.

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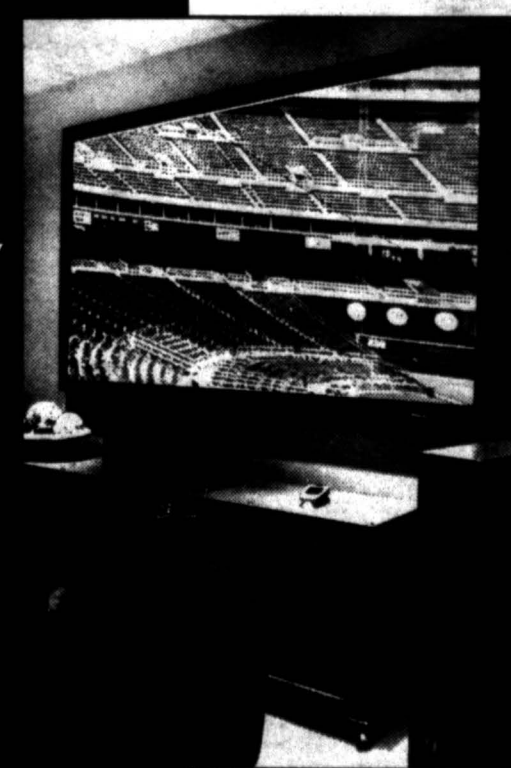
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which transports it to the garden site. The crane then lifts the boulder — some weigh as much as two tons — then gently lowers and beds it in the garden exactly on the spot Comeau has designated, precisely as she instructs.

Comeau's boulder expertise is in evidence at homes around the peninsula: at the Macomber Estates in Pebble Beach, the Frank and Irene Stanek Japanese garden on Santa Fe and the Fuensanta Plaza "Buonpaso" garden on Santa Rita — both in Carmel.

Specializing in low-maintenance, water-conserving landscapes, as well as landscapes in a more traditional style, Comeau's work has appeared frequently in Sunset Magazine, most recently in a November article on successful planting under native oaks. She has also been a consultant for the revised and updated Sunset Western Garden book — the acclaimed "bible" of western gardeners — and last year was invited to join a horticultural del-



Moss and lichen soften this granite boulder in the Stanek Japanese Garden. Crocus flowers have pushed up through the fir bark ground cover, adding a bit of color to the timeless scene — created just a short time ago by Comeau.

egation to China set up by the Chinese government. The trip is chronicled in an article in the February

15 issue of American Nurseryman. Comeau describes the journey as "a fabulous experience and an honor to be chosen."

Combing the Sierra

How did a young woman such as Comeau become attracted to boulders?

"My love affair with rocks doesn't fully focus around landscape work," she said. "I've climbed rocks from the time I was a teenager." She has a "love and appreciation for boulders," which finds her spending every free minute in the Sierra, climbing with her husband, land surveyor Grover Meyrose. In fact, Comeau and Meyrose free-climbed on their honeymoon in North Wales.

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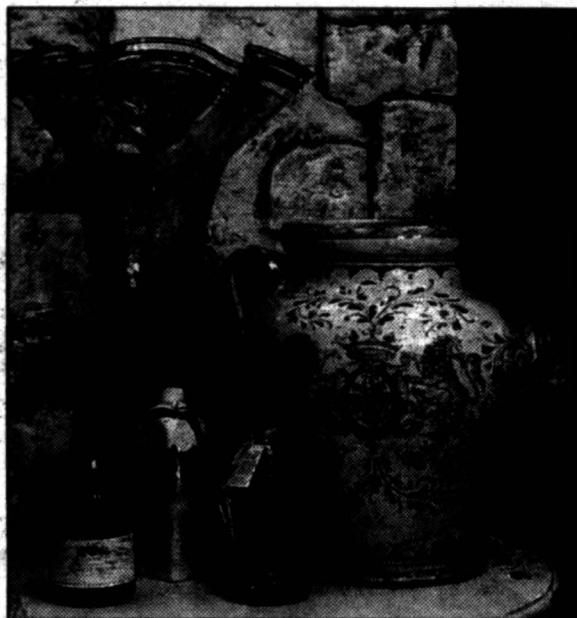


All of these granite boulders and rocks were arranged above the pond at a Macomber Estates garden to provide a backdrop for four sculptures. A variety of water grasses grow happily between the boulders and in the pond itself.

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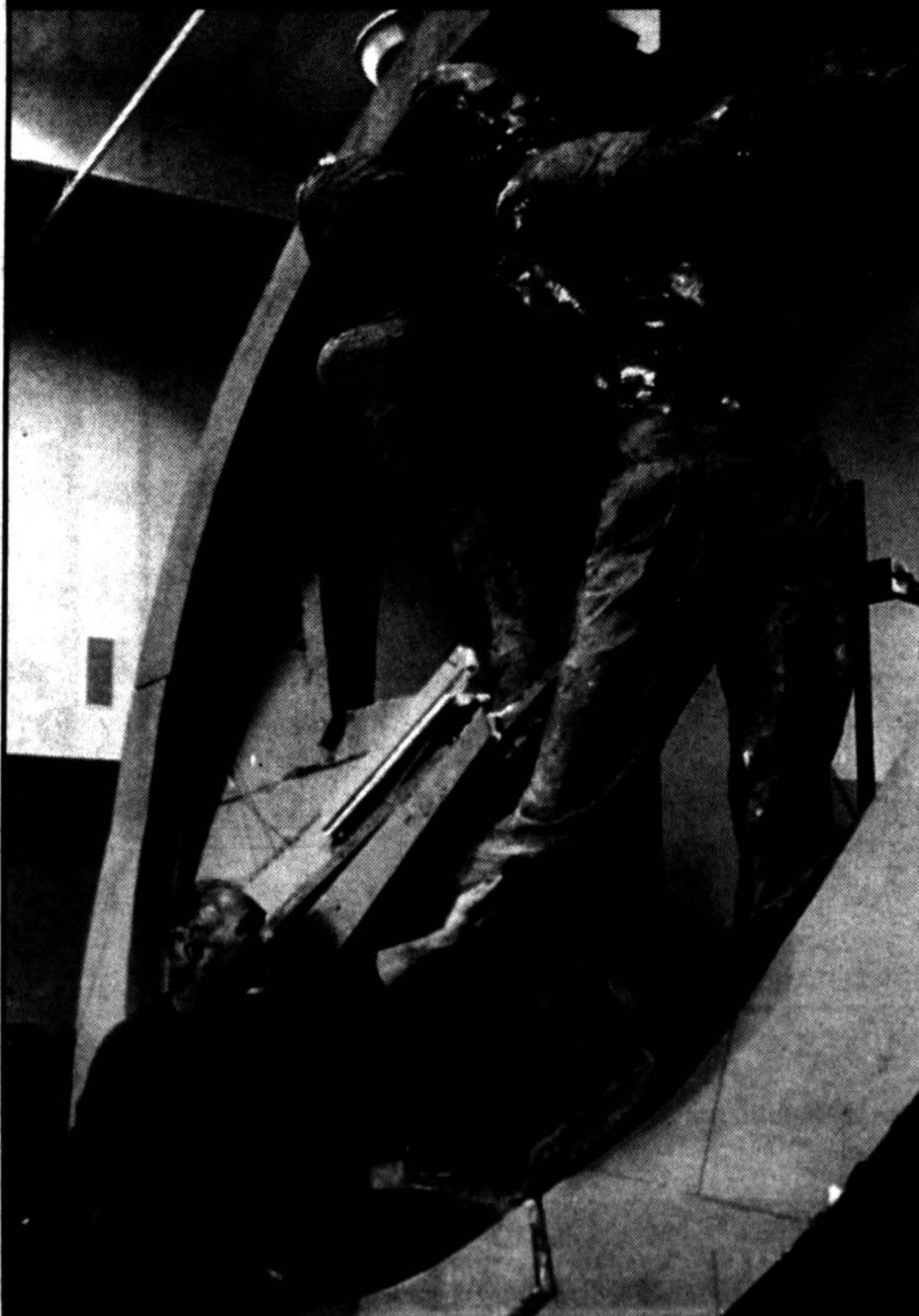
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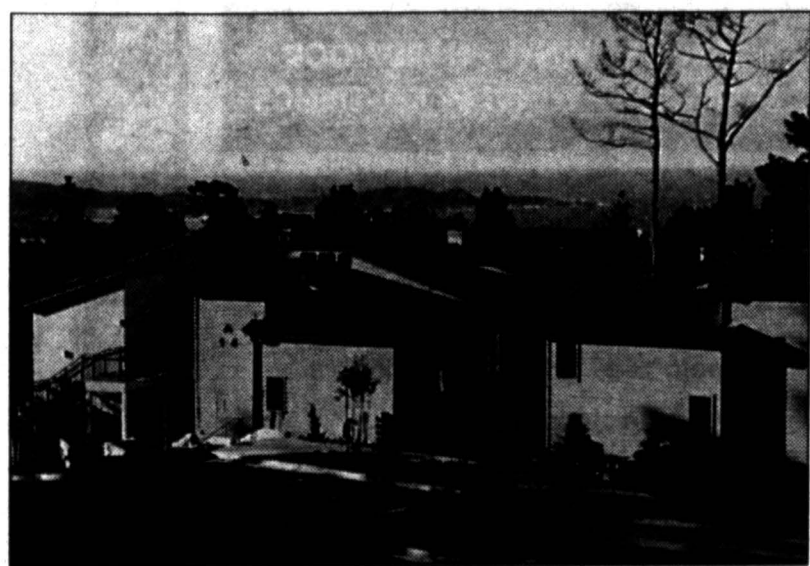
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Free-climbing differs from rope climbing, Comeau says. "We climb with ropes for protection — to be caught by them if we fall — but we don't pull ourselves up with ropes. Free-climbing requires a more delicate balancing . . . more in keeping with nature," she said.

Comeau went climbing throughout the United States, in Spain and Wales 15 years before it became a popular sport. She took a sabbatical from her landscaping business, which she started during the drought years of 1976 - 1977, and went to Wales to learn technique and practice from a group of international mountain guides. She passed along all that she'd learned in Wales to Meyrose, and when they were married in 1989, rock climbing in the Snowdonia area of Wales became part of their honeymoon plan.

"Mountaineering is what we love to do," Comeau said, "and we're avid athletes, too, in running, walking and hiking." She's walked the Big Sur Marathon, and Meyrose has run it twice.

An inevitable pull to landscaping

Comeau's original university plans for obtaining a degree in Western Studies took her from her native small town in Cape Cod, Mass. to the University of Grenoble, France. After her European sojourn, she came to California to complete her degree at the Monterey Institute of International

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Studies.

"I'd put myself through school doing landscaping work, but I abandoned the institute for the garden," she said. "Landscaping had a strong pull. It was inevitable."

As a landscape designer and licensed landscape contractor with her own business, Comeau does all the design and installation and plant selections herself. "I love it," she said, "and I love using boulders — they ground the landscape. I don't use them lightly."

A member of several horticultural groups, Comeau served five years in

an executive capacity with the Monterey Peninsula Landscape Gardeners Association and wrote a garden maintenance column for the organization. As for her philanthropic endeavors, Comeau oversaw the renovation and maintenance of the walled garden at the Old Whaling Station in Monterey and organized a Junior League planting project for Natividad Medical Center in Salinas. She served on the advisory council for the first Pebble Beach Garden

Show and now the Carmel Garden Show, for which she designs the lay-

*"I abandoned
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Another sculpture of a young girl plays happily beside this pond, whose boulders and rocks were selected and placed by Michelle Comeau at a Pebble Beach estate. The rock slab seen in the right foreground was positioned to provide a resting place for pond visitors. Water reeds near the sculpture are Juncus, and in the foreground, small Golden bamboo adds a feathery note to the natural scene. Sand Hill Sage (*Artemisia*) cascades over the rocks in the background.

out of the demonstration gardens.

Planning ahead for droughts

Every new project provides Comeau with an opportunity to design site-specific landscapes that fit into the surrounding environment. These take into consideration topography, soil conditions, exposure, views, access, wind, deer and other factors. Of equal importance, she says, is to recognize "that we live in an area that experiences drought from time to time and a well-organized landscape design should take this into account."

"You can have color throughout the

year without excessive use of annuals and water-thirsty plants," she said, "and this doesn't mean all lawn areas must be eliminated or all water-loving plants must go." In order to accomplish this, Comeau groups the water needy plants, making them an intense part of the landscape, while leaving the lion's share of the site to low-maintenance, water conserving plants.

Comeau is firm in the belief that "intelligently planned combinations of plants and landscaping can yield a unique and elegant garden that will provide stability, balance and color within a natural setting."

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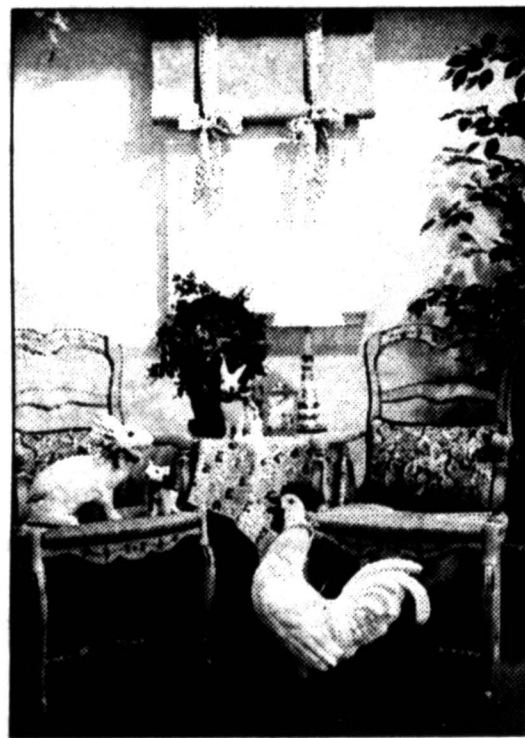
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Paths meander through this garden of boulders and drought-resistant plantings at Fuensanta Plaza's "Buonpaso" home in Carmel. Two adjoining boulders, center left, provide a crevice in which Comeau planted a *Datura (Brugmansia)* whose hanging trumpet flowers add a touch of color to the naturalistic setting. Plantings in the foreground include a grayish rare white lavender.

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Pampered oaks

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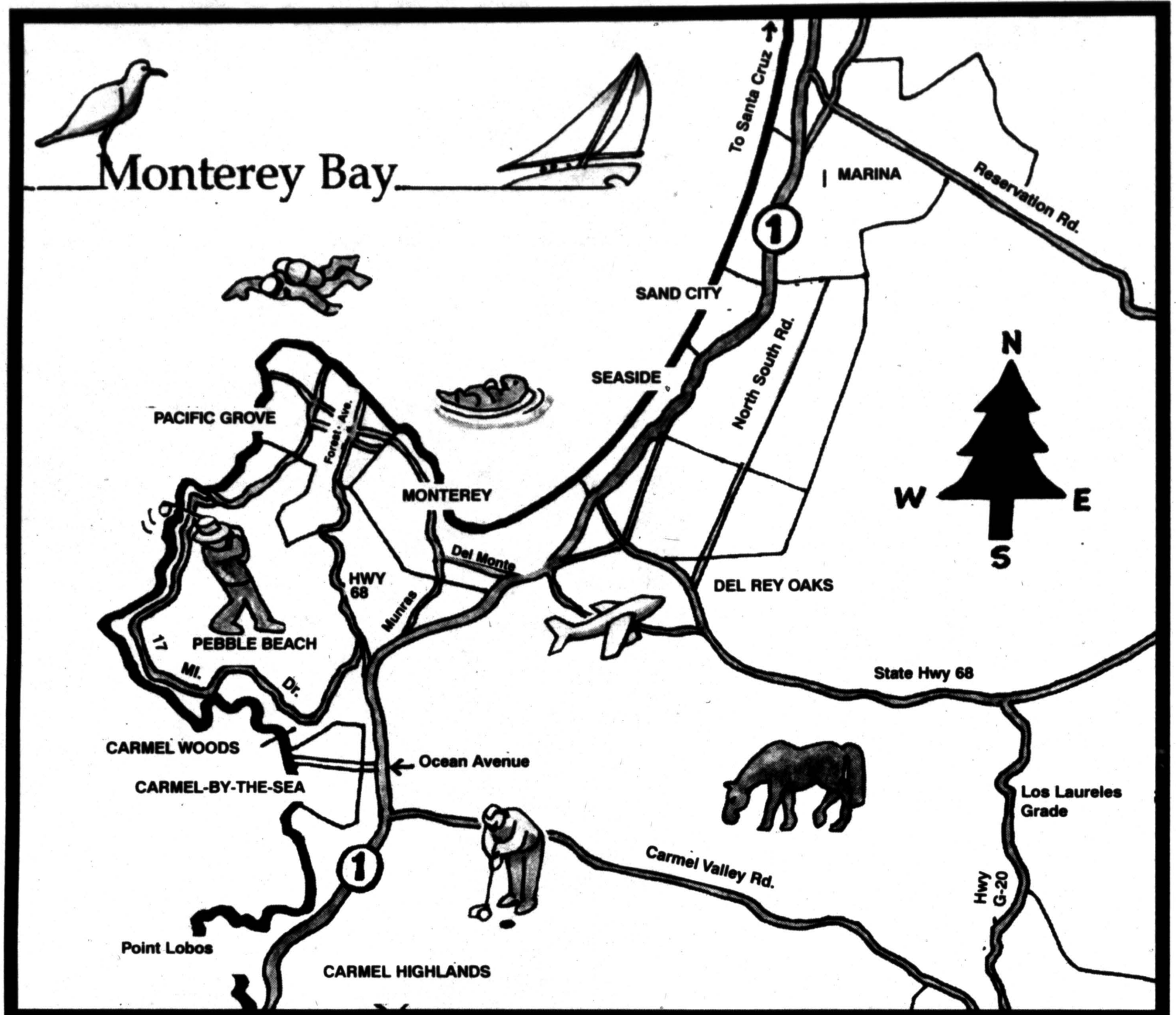
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FROM PAGE 5B

Pebble Beach: Arrowhead Road resident reported her home was burglarized.

Carmel Valley: Wawona resident reported receiving annoying phone calls while at work from her ex-boyfriend.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman wandering around Ocean and Lincoln. She was an artist looking at items. No problems noted.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of \$250 of miscellaneous items stolen from the Tuck Box restaurant after closing 2/28/00.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen reported an intoxicated man loud and verbally abusive in Devendorf Park. Unable to locate.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Welfare check requested on a Casanova resident. Neighbor advised she was out of town. CHOMP and daughter notified.

Carmel area: 19-year-old Outlook Drive resident reported that a couch in her living room had caught fire. The fire was extinguished prior to the arrival of the fire department.

WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 1

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Manager of San Antonio cottages reported seeing an elderly male 50-60 walk by the area smoking. He was described as having white hair and beard, wearing white pants. The manager thought this smoking was unusual at this hour (0052 hours). Man was gone upon arrival.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of verbal threats made against a Wells Fargo Bank employee.

Carmel area: Edgefield Place resident reported receiving several phone calls a day in which the person hung up when she answered.

Carmel area: Barnyard merchant reported receiving a forged check from one of their patrons.

Carmel area: Observed a vehicle driving on Highway 1 at Ocean without its headlights. Contacted the driver. Could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage on her breath. The CHP were advised and the driver was arrested by the CHP for DUI.

Carmel Valley: Village business owner reported his business vandalized. Three juveniles were caught and confessed to the crime.

Carmel Valley: Carmel Valley Road resident reported his property damaged by persons driving a 4-wheel-drive through his land.

Carmel Valley: Resident reported being battered at Mid-Valley Center.

Carmel Valley: Man reported he observed a female motorist back onto his property. The female driver exited her vehicle and took a sign from the victim's front property. Victim took suspect's keys and told suspect to wait for authorities. The suspect was cited and released.

Carmel area: Man caught driving with expired registration and having a registration tab on his car from another vehicle. He was cited and his car was stored by Salinas Auto Center.

Carmel Valley: Via La Estrella resident reported that her gardener grabbed her and kissed her.

Big Sur: Woman at the Big Sur Health Center reported possible child abuse involving a juvenile who lives in Big Sur.

Pebble Beach: Person reported an open door and smashed window at a residence off Rodeo Road. Contacted the owner of the property, who advised this was

old damage.

Pebble Beach: Costado Road resident requested assistance with his son, who had threatened him.

Pebble Beach: Costado Road resident placed a person under citizen's arrest for battery.

Carmel area: Highway 1 resident reported seeing a suspicious vehicle in her driveway and a person walk from behind her garage, get into the vehicle and drive away.

Carmel area: Man reported his camera equipment stolen last week at the Highlands Inn.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: San Antonio resident called to advise that five six-inch-high ceramic figurines are missing from a cabinet top in her living room. Loss occurred over the last two weeks. There are numerous other items of value in the room that were not disturbed. She has no idea what happened to the figurines. Value unknown.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Junipero Serra School teacher opened her classroom this morning and found three desks turned over. No forced entry or keys missing. Nothing taken — possibly kids.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Older couple in a Cadillac hit a double-parked beer truck on Dolores. No damage to truck. Cadillac

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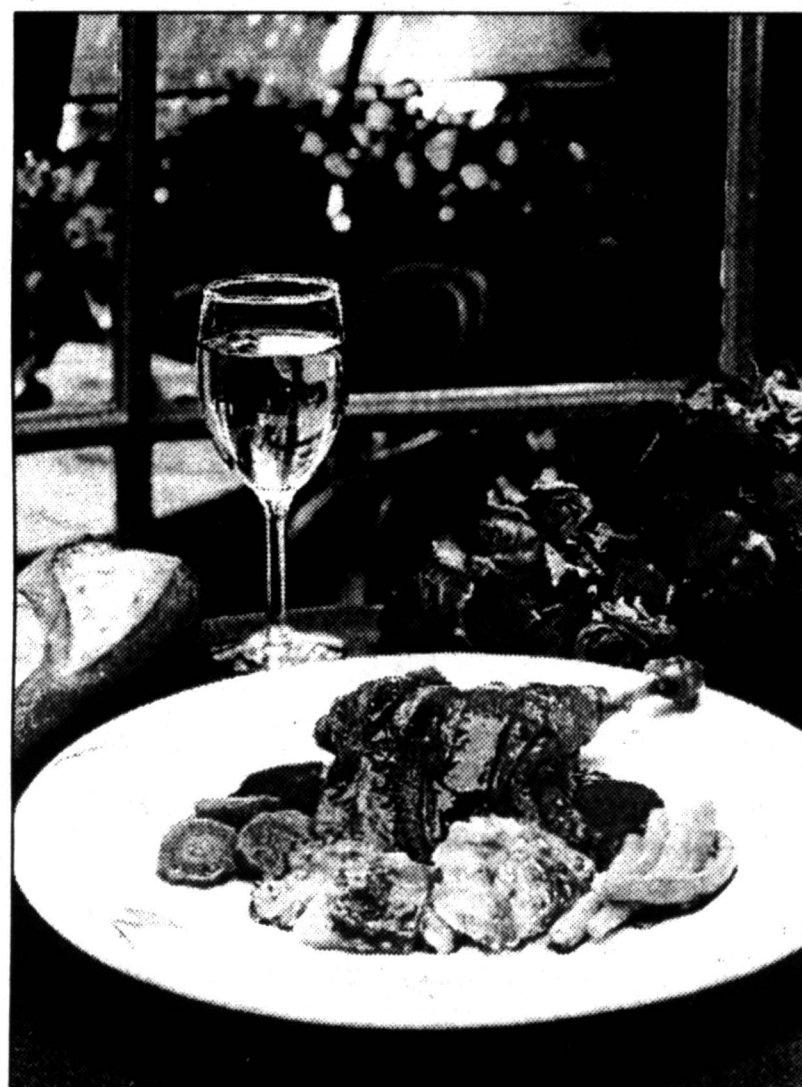
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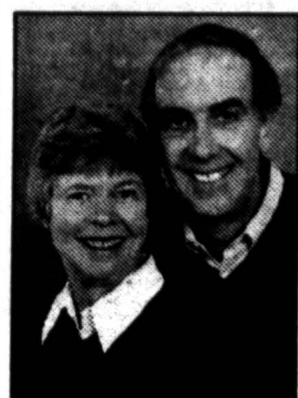
REAL ESTATE

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had a flat tire.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Four drivers cited for speeding on Rio Road between 0856 and 0944 hours.

Big Sur: Four cows belonging to a Rancho Rico resident were found wandering on Highway 1. The cows were returned to their corral and their owner was advised to fix the fence where the cows had escaped.



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Big Sur: Man reported a tree had fallen on his motorcycle and truck on the Nepenthe property. The manager of the property advised that the man was supposed to have moved out and therefore management was not responsible for the damage to the truck.

Pebble Beach: Bird Rock Road resident reported that someone entered her home yesterday between 0830 and 1200 hours. Nothing missing.

Pebble Beach: Person reported a confrontation with a Seaside resident in the Bird Rock turnout. The Seaside man agreed to leave Pebble Beach.

Carmel area: Via Mar Monte resident reported seeing what she thought was a fire in the back yard of a neighbor. It was later discovered that teenagers living to the rear of her home were playing with sparklers.

Carmel Valley: Man stopped at Rio Vista for CVC violations. He was subsequently arrested by the CHP for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Marina resident arrested at Santa Rita and Ocean for public intoxication, resisting arrest and providing false information to an officer.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an intoxicated person in Devendorf Park brandishing a knife. He was arrested for public intoxication.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an illegally parked vehicle at the Shell station. Upon arrival the vehicle had left. Attendant

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stated the driver was DUI. Conducted an area search and located the vehicle at Ocean and Camino Real. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was evaluated for DUI. The driver was fine and not intoxicated. No further action needed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Restaurant called to report that someone left without paying for his bill. While an area check was being conducted, the man called and stated he would return in approximately 15 min. to pay his bill. No further assistance requested.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of firecrackers heard in Devendorf Park. Upon arrival, the area check was negative.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A married couple was involved in a verbal dispute at Mission and Sixth after consuming too much alcohol. Both had been drinking. There were no signs of physical to either person. They requested a taxi due to their intoxicated condition. No other problems noted.

Pebble Beach: Hermitage Road resident reported she awoke to find an unknown male adult in her bedroom burglarizing her home. No items had been taken. Case continues.

Carmel Valley: Conducted a vehicle check on a red Chevy Corvette in the parking lot of the Running Iron bar. The driver was slumped over the center console asleep. CHP contacted and responded. He was arrested for possession of methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia and DUI of drugs.

Big Sur: General manager of Fernwood restaurant objected to execution of a money judgment by the sheriff's office civil division. The civil action was postponed pending verification of business ownership.

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Carmel area: Woman reported that her friend, a Guadalupe resident, received a suspicious sweepstakes letter in the mail. This was referred to the postal inspectors office.

Carmel Valley: Tassajara Road resident reported that someone was trespassing on his road.

Carmel Valley: An unknown suspect stole two teak chairs and two teak tables from the spa area of the Bernardus Lodge. The stolen items were valued at \$700.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Notified by a citizen of possible dumping of trash in the area of Seventh and San Carlos. Citizen thinks trash is being dumped by a business in the area.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a dispute between two neighbors in Monte Verde regarding a screen mesh nailed to a com-

mon fence the two share between their respective properties. Advised the matter is civil.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of \$180 worth of TV/stereo equipment stolen from a Lexus parked in a private parking lot at Lincoln and Seventh.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man arrested at Eighth and Lincoln for being drunk in public.

Carmel Valley: Trampa Canyon resident reported that someone's dogs came onto his property and were bothering his horses. The owner of the dogs was contacted. A perimeter fence is under construction to keep her dogs in. This is an ongoing problem that has been referred to Monterey County Animal Control.

Carmel area: Two female juveniles were reported as run-aways by their father. A BOL was placed.

Pebble Beach: Trappers Trail resident reported that in mid-February, someone entered his home and garage. Taken was a tool kit.

Carmel area: Man reported his mother-in-law failed to return after a haircutting appointment today. She was located in front of Cafe Stravaganza, walking home. She was returned to her home and was okay.

Big Sur: A motorhome was towed after being parked along Highway 1 at Fullers Beach for an excessive period of time.

Big Sur: Coastlands resident reported the theft of a generator from his house.

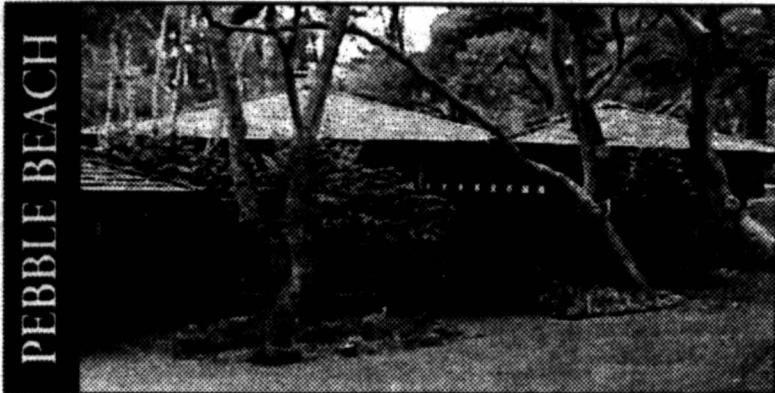
Carmel area: Person reported finding graffiti on the front window of a Barnyard clothing store. The ink was water soluble and there was no damage.

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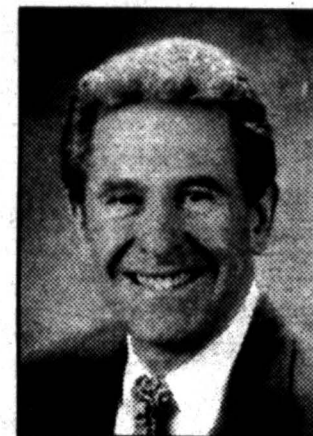
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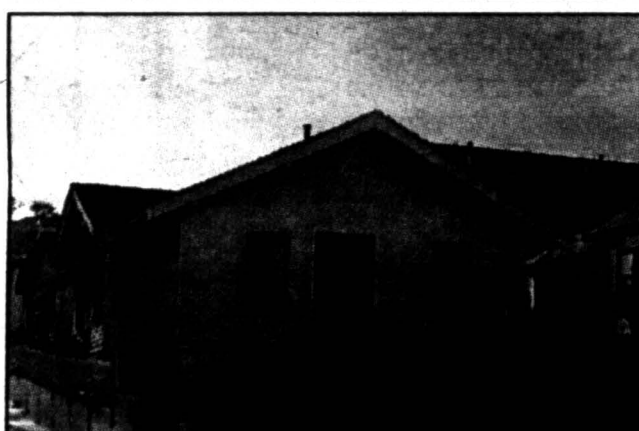


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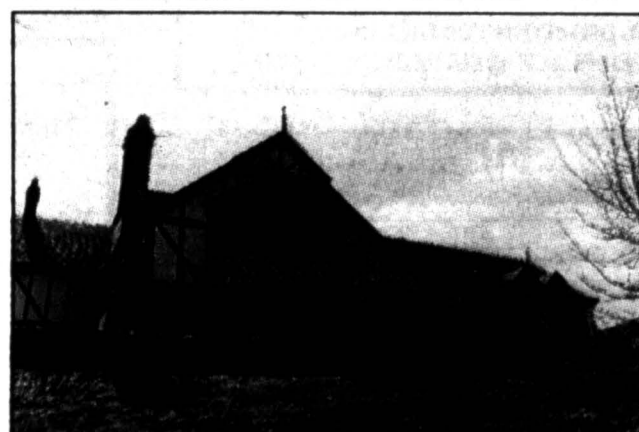
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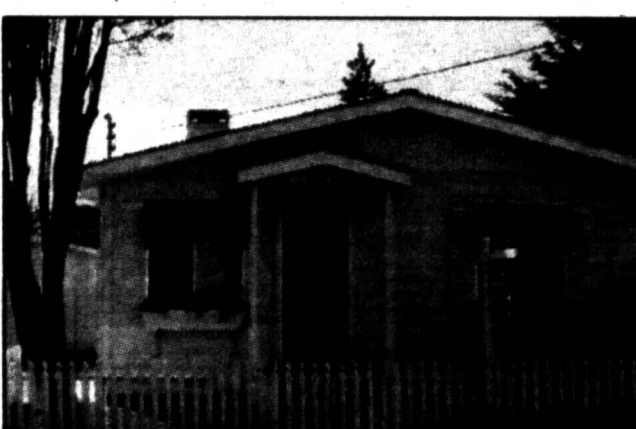
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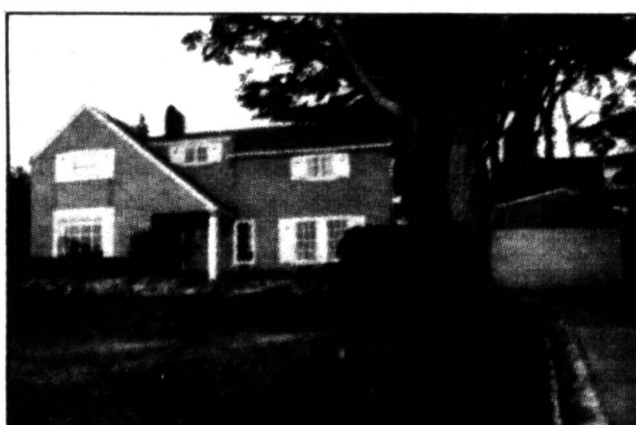
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NEW ON MARKET! Oversized lot offers ample space for privacy now - room for expansion later. The compact 2-bedroom bungalow features a remodeled bath, new furnace, fir floors in both bedrooms and a

wood-burning fireplace. Convenient location close to town. \$370,000.

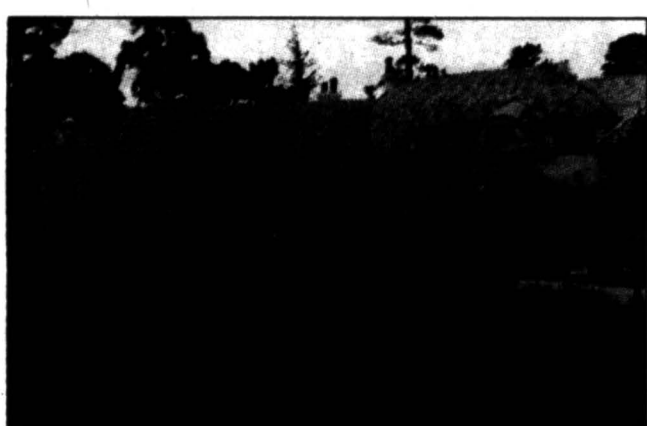
NEW LISTING! You'll love to snuggle in this charming bungalow featuring 3 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths plus a studio with bath. Hang your lace curtains from its delightful windows. Large lot with room for expansion. A wonderful home for the right person. \$439,000.

PEBBLE BEACH



FABULOUS LOCATION! This elegant contemporary is just steps to The Lodge and the 18th Green of the Pebble Beach Golf Links! Set on a level, almost 3/4-acre site, this spacious 4-bedroom, 3-bath home offers the simplicity of a townhouse in the privacy of an estate setting. Elegant living room with a wall of windows, cozy library with fireplace, terrace, manicured landscaping and location, location, location. \$1,975,000.

DESIGNED WITH DISTINCTION! Style, quality & value characterize this move-in mini estate. Reflecting Spanish styling around a center atrium, each wing offers special amenities. To the left is a gracious step-down living room, and formal dining room that leads to a well-appointed kitchen. To the right is the master suite with adjacent study. Two guest bedrooms, bath & laundry room comprise the back wing. Close to ocean walks & golf. \$945,000.



PEBBLE BEACH CHATEAU! For anyone wanting elegance of home, superb grounds and a prime location, this property is the solution. Built in 1990, the gated property of a .80 acre site features a floor plan of over 6200 sq. ft., 5 bedrooms, 4-1/2 baths and a three-car garage. Close to golf and The Lodge, this John Matthams-designed chateau is one of the best estates in one of the most desired areas of Pebble Beach. \$3,100,000.

PEBBLE BEACH PERFECTION! Just listed! Immaculate and attractive French-designed 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home as wonderful inside as it is outside. Well located close to Spyglass Hill Course and MPCC. Enjoy soaring ceilings, three fireplaces, stone fireplace and a myriad of French doors all leading to private patios. \$1,450,000.

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